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SUMMARY.

A battle which is described as the greatest in the history of the world, is proceeding before Mukden.

It is estimated that Japanese to the number of 350,000, and Russians numbering 300,000, are engaged.

There has been a series of fresh and desperate engagements all along the line.

The converging and encircling movement with both flanks conducted by the Japanese is everywhere succeeding.

General Kuropatkin's whole army is being forced back upon its bases.

General Oku has occupied nine miles of Russian positions on the right bank of the Hun-ho. He captured several villages after desperate bayonet charges.

General Kuroki has gained great success, and has occupied the Russians' first line of eight defences on the hills beyond the Shaho.

Reports received at St. Petersburg imply that Mukden is completely isolated, and that the Russians are retreating on Tie-ling, 40 miles northward.

The Russians report that 20 Japanese battalions attacked them at Jan-si-tun, but were repulsed, leaving masses of corpses on the ground.

The Japanese, the report adds, made parapets of the dead bodies of their comrades.

The Japanese left is 12 miles south-west of Mukden, and their right 15 miles south-east of Fushun, and 30 due east of Mukden.

The Japanese on Thursday recaptured Putilof and Novogorod hills, after a terrific bombardment with 11in mortars.

General Rennenkampf's cavalry division was almost annihilated.

The Russians, being surrounded, abandoned all their positions on the Hun-ho in order to escape.

General Oku on Wednesday opened a terrific bombardment with 100 enormous guns, the Russians being unable to reply.

The bombardment greatly damaged the Russian defences and the villages on both sides of the railway.

Kuropatkin reports that a Russian detachment at Kodiana on Thursday repulsed a Japanese attack, inflicting enormous losses. One company was annihilated.

The casualties sustained by General Oku's forces on March 1 and 2 were 2000. The Russians lost more heavily.

The opinion at St. Petersburg is frankly pessimistic.

The domestic war loan of £10,000,000 issued in Japan was covered twice.

In his manifesto the Czar says the war with the Japanese is urgently necessary for the consolidation and peaceful prosperity of Russia and other Christian nations.

The manifesto contrasts the heroism of the soldiers in the Far East with the blind pride and insolence of the evil-minded revolutionaries who are assailing the pillars of the State.

An appeal is made to all the authorities to rally round the throne to overcome a sudden foreign foe and eradicate the result at home.

The Czar has issued a special rescript, addressed to the Minister for the Interior, acknowledging the general congratulations on the birth of an heir.

In this he announces his resolve, with the help of God, to convene the people's elected representatives to participate in the elaboration of legislative measures.

The "Times" says the rescript, appearing immediately after the announcement of a general strike, has been received with feelings of amazement, incredulity, and enthusiasm.

The ultimatum of the Russian strikers has been rejected, and a general strike is regarded as inevitable.

Strikes have been ordered on the Moscow and Vilna railways, thus isolating St. Petersburg, where there are 130,000 strikers out of work.

In connection with the Congo atrocities, it is reported that a tribe of 2000 natives sent to gather indiarubber, was massacred by connivance of the authorities.

Mr. Reid says his grave duty at the present time is to endeavour to prevent Australia going down into the depths of socialistic chaos.

He is determined to devote the best of his remaining faculties and energies to that purpose.

Exports of home manufactures from New South Wales to other States increased from £2,250 in 1899 to £291,436 in 1904, and those from Victoria from £335,935 to £1,114,692.

Numerous inquiries for blocks of land on Oy Myall Creek Estate are being made by South Australian farmers.

Two sisters named Lipscomb were yesterday drowned in the Wollondilly River, at Bald, near Goulburn.

A new convent school at Ashfield was opened and blessed by Cardinal Moran yesterday.

A prohibition party has been formed in Sydney, with the object of strenuously opposing the manufacture, importation, or sale of intoxicants for beverage purposes.

The Victorian Methodist conference has decided to ask the Postmaster-General to prohibit the carriage of letters addressed to "Tattersall's."

A return furnished to the Hobart conference shows the net cost of the transferred departments was in 1903-4 £937,207 more than in 1899-00.

A new Baptist Church was opened at Waverley on Saturday.

The experiment of sinking hulks to facilitate construction of the northern breakwater at Newcastle and deepen the channel entrance has proved a great success.

A proclamation has been issued prohibiting importation into the Commonwealth of apperine, described as a substitute for hops.

The Enfield Post Office was entered by burglars, who removed the safe to a churchyard close by and forced it open, securing £65 18s 2d.

The Minister for Works states that soon after Parliament meets a comprehensive scheme of water conservation will be submitted, inclusive of the Barren Jack reservoir.

The body of Stephen Le Franchi, who disappeared from his home at Germanston (Tas.) in October, has been found in the ranges near Queenstown.

The sum of £40,000 is to be expended on the work of deepening and widening the harbour at Port Pirie, South Australia.

Planters in Northern Queensland declare that unless the sugar bonus is continued, and the tariff fixed on a permanent basis, the industry north of Mackay will die out.

Professor Watson, who has arrived at Brisbane, says rinderpest has broken out in German New Guinea.

The disease is also very bad at Manila, where local experts are preparing serum with which cattle are inoculated.

Another disease, Professor Watson says, which is identical with the sleeping sickness, is raging in the Philippines, where it is killing off cattle and horses.

The steamer Pharsolo, which left Newcastle with a cargo of coal on February 8, is ashore near Manila, and is reported to be full of water.

At Cobar on Saturday night a man named Fred Horne shot his father-in-law, J. Donnelly, with a revolver, inflicting serious injuries.

The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron's race for the Rawson Cup was won by the Bona. The Culwalla secured the championship.

The Newmarket Handicap at Flemington on Saturday was won by Mr. F. Foy's Playaway. Lord Ullin's Daughter being second, and Medallist third.

The St. Leger was won by Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell's Munderah, Blinker and Lord Fitzroy filling second and third places.

The cricket match Australia v Otago ended in the defeat of the home team by an innings and 173 runs.

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INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses and Harness. And, at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Telephone, 1331.

SPRING DRAY LOT, TIMBER DRAY, and HARNESS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Mortgagees to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
Grey Gelding, Spring Dray, and Harness, in good order; also Timber Dray and Harness.

FRESH COUNTRY HORSE FROM BRUSHGROVE.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. Carlton to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Fresh Country Horse, by Steamer.

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HARNESS HORSE FROM PENNANT HILLS.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. H. Allen to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, 7 yrs., 14.2, by Messenger, thoroughly broken to saddle and harness, won the first in spring cart at Castle Hill Show last week.

SADDLE AND HARNESS PONY.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Creamy Pony Gelding, about 14 hands, quiet and reliable in saddle and harness, used to trams.

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CAMPERDOWN YARDS.
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Black Gelding, 5 yrs., thoroughly broken to harness, winner of small prizes at shows on the South Coast, would suit an undertaker.

DENT and CURRY will sell by auction, at Newtown Station, THIS DAY, at 7 o'clock, Wood, etc.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Darling Harbour, THIS DAY, at 8 o'clock, Wood, etc.

DENT and PERRY will sell by Auction, at Redfern Station, THIS DAY, at 9.15,
Hay, Straw, Chaff, Maize, Pumpkins, Potatoes.

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THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 267 Pitt-street, the unredeemed Clothing pledged with Messrs. J. J. Burt and Co., of 135 George-street West, comprising
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Also at 2.30 o'clock,
THE BALANCE OF JEWELLERY.

JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions from the N. S. Wales Mont de Piete Deposit and Investment Company to sell by auction, on their premises, 74 Castlereagh street, as above,
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AT THE MART, 294 GEORGE-STREET.
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THE SEA-GOING SCREW STEAMER
ARCADIA
(late Bundoo).
30 TONS REGISTER.
40 FEET LONG, 13 FEET BEAM, 4 FEET DRAUGHT.
HIGH PRESSURE 9-INCH CYLINDER ENGINE.
MULTITUBULAR BOILER, 60lb PRESSURE; GUARANTEED 120lb COLD WATER PRESSURE.
SPEED, 8 KNOTS.
SUITABLE FOR TOWING OR FISHING EXCURSIONS; a first-class Vessel.
LAUNCHED IN 1904, and GUARANTEED IN FIRST-CLASS ORDER, AND READY FOR SEA OR HARBOUR USE.
GEAR includes:
SAILS, AWNINGS, ANCHOR, COMPASS, COOKING RANGE, WATER TANKS, DINGY, Etc.
ON VIEW AT BALD ROCK, BALMAIN.
INSPECTION ORDERS MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE OFFICES OF THE AUCTIONEERS.
S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY have been instructed to SELL as above, WITHOUT RESERVE, at THE MART, 294 GEORGE-STREET, TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, at 11 o'clock.

TO-MORROW,
TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, 1905,
AT 11.30 A.M.
FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
AT THE MART, 294 GEORGE-STREET.
UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE IMPORTERS.
TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.
10 QR.CKS. FINE OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.
40 CASES MACONOCHIE'S RED HERRINGS, each 4doz., 12 fish.
6 CASES DESICCATED COCOANUT, each 300lb.
25 CASES CORNED BEEF, 2lb.
60 CASES ASSORTED CORDIALS.
3 CASES ENGLISH HAMS.

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE INDENTORS.
8 BARRELS COTTON SEED OIL, D.P., Winter-drawn, each 40 gallons.
Also,
WITH ALL FAULTS IF ANY.
19 BUNDLES BLACK FENCING WIRE, No. 8.
15 DITTO DITTO, No. 10.
2 CASES BROOM WIRE, each 5cwt.
S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY, have been instructed to SELL as above, at the MART, 294 GEORGE-STREET, TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, at 11.30 a.m.

NEW ROOMS.
9 BARRACK-STREET.
TO-MORROW, AT 11 A.M.
STOCK, PLANT, etc., of TICKET-WRITER.
Under instructions from
Messrs. FARRAN and CO., of 45 Royal Arcade, who are relinquishing business.
Including
Large Stock of C. B. E. Cards and Boards, all shades and sizes, for Window Tickets, Ticket-writers, Ink, Drying Oven, Tables, Tools, Show Cards, Pigeonholes, Shelving, etc.
NO RESERVE.
SYDNEY DAVIS,
AUCTIONEER,
9 BARRACK-STREET. Tel., 4293.

PADDINGTON.
THIS DAY, MARCH 6th, at 11 a.m.,
at
9 BROWN-STREET,
PADDINGTON.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
and
GENERAL APPOINTMENTS.
IMPERATIVE SALE.
SYDNEY DAVIS,
AUCTIONEER,
9 Barrack-street. Tel. 4293.

TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, 1905,
at 3 p.m.
At HOWAN'S BOND, PITT-STREET.
On Account Whom it May Concern.
TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.
200 BAGS AMERICAN FLOUR, 25's.
80 BAGS AMERICAN FLOUR, 100's.
FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., will Sell by Auction as above.

RANDWICK.
ON VIEW
THIS DAY, FROM 2 to 6.
THE BEAUTIFUL EXTENDED DRAWING-ROOM, DINING-ROOM, BREAKFAST-ROOM, HALL, SINGLE AND DOUBLE BEDROOM, SOLID APPOINTMENTS AND FURNISHINGS.
SUPERB PIANOFORTE, ON THE LIPP SYSTEM.
AS DETAILED IN SATURDAY'S ISSUE OF THIS JOURNAL.
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, AT 11.
E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB,
LICENSED AUCTIONEER,
417 Pitt-street, Haymarket. Tel., 4208.

TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, at 2 o'clock.
AT THE ROOMS, 556 GEORGE-STREET, opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral.
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF A. S. L. SURPLICE,
AND UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM TRUSTEES.
Well-assorted open and bulk stock of
GROCERIES, OILMEN'S STORES, PROVISIONS, Etc.
CEYLON, CHINA, AND KOOLOO TEAS, IN CHESTS, HALF-CHESTS, AND PACKAGES.

M'DE LISSA AND CO. will sell, as above.
TO PARTIES FURNISHING, DEALERS, and Others.
ON WEDNESDAY NEXT, AT 11 A.M.,
On the Premises,
129 ALBION-STREET, SURRY HILLS.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, as above, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising
PIANO (Compagnie Concordia), Wal. Frame, in order.
SIDEBOARD, OVERMANTELS, Ornaments, Pictures; LINOLEUMS, C. Poles and Curtains, H. Rugs, Clocks, ELM and ASH FURNITURE, Glassware, Cutlery, DINING, KITCHEN, Octagon, and Occasional TABLES.
SUPERIOR NICKEL and BRASS 4 x 6 HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS and BEDDING.
3 BEDROOM SUITES (in Stained Walnut and Cedar).
COMB. CHESTS, DUCHESS TOILETS and WARE DRESSER, ICE CHEST, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils, Sundries, etc.
NO RESERVE. TERMS CASH.
AUCTIONEER'S OFFICE: 243 PITT-ST.
'PHONE, 2547.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.
On WEDNESDAY NEXT, at 2.30,
At 334 Bourke-street, city (off Oxford-st.),
VERY SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
HANDSOME R.M. IRON BEDSTEADS and COT.
BEDROOM SUITE, DUCHESSE TOILETS, Ware, DINING-ROOM SUITE in Leather, Tables, Whatnots Sinkboard, bev. glass, choice design, Linoleums, etc.
The Whole only 8 Months from Warehouse.
MITCHELL and CRANSTON.
See Wednesday's Herald.

THIS DAY, AT 2.30 P.M.
LEAN will sell by auction, at their Room, 366 Parramatta-road, Leichhardt, Household Furniture, Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Bedding, Washstand, Ware, Combination Chest Drawers, High-arm, Singer's, Taylor's S. Machine, 2 Eureka Gas Stoves, Crockery, Oilcloth, Lino., Ward's Stoves, Wallpaper, Clothing, Sundries. No reserve.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK.
By order of the Mortgagees.
Household Furniture, H.-T. Bedsteads, W.M.'s, Bedding, Combination Chests, Tables, Chairs, Safes, Crockery, etc., Groceries, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Fancy Goods.
H. LEVY has received instructions to sell, at 135 Regent-street, TOTALLY UNRESERVED.

TO BOARDING-HOUSEKEEPERS, FURNITURE DEALERS, and OTHERS.
THIS DAY, at 10.
MIDDLETON and CO. are instructed to sell by auction, at 505 Kent-street, near Bathurst-street,
Furniture and Bedsteads of a well-kept Boarding-house; also the finest yard full of Ferns in Sydney, in one line, or lots to suit purchasers.
No Reserve.

THIS DAY, at 3 o'clock.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, at 170 George-street West, Real Oak Suite, Gilt Pier-glass, Sideboard, Piano, Overmantel, Pair 4ft 6in Walnut M.T. Toilets, Brass Rail Bedsteads, Kapoc Bedding, Wardrobes, Combination Chests, Extension Table Washstands, Dresser, Pictures, etc.
NO RESERVE.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS contained in
DUDLEY HOUSE and SYDNEY HOUSE, CASTLEREAGH and LIVERPOOL STREETS,
WILL POSITIVELY TAKE PLACE
THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
JAMES COWAN,
AUCTIONEER.

ST. PETERS, on Newtown Boundary.—McKechnie Estate, elevated, Land and Cottages, SAT. NEXT, R. and W., Ltd.

NESTLE'S CONDENSED MILK.
ONLY ONE QUALITY—THE BEST.
RICHEST IN CREAM.
NESTLE'S MILK FOOD.
A COMPLETE DIET FOR INFANTS AND INVALIDS.
HAS BEEN USED SUCCESSFULLY FOR HALF A CENTURY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

AUCTION SALES.

WAHROONGA.
IMPORTANT NOTICE TO LADIES AND GENTLEMEN ABOUT TO FURNISH, THE RESIDENTS OF WAHROONGA AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS.
IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION,
TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, 7th MARCH, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.
Under Instruction from
J. B. NICHOLSON, Esq.,
in consequence of his early departure for Europe.
THE VALUABLE FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS OF HIS RESIDENCE,
CHAMONIX,
LANE COVE-ROAD, WAHROONGA,
including:—
ROYAL AXMINSTER CARPETS,
in Very Excellent Preservation.
THE HANDSOME APPOINTMENTS
for
ENTRANCE HALL.
ANTIQUE OAK MONK'S BENCH.
HALL STAND, MADE IN GOLDEN OAK, and Solid Oak Hall CHAIRS.
IRON SAFE by CLEMENTS,
24 x 20 x 20, with Combination Lock.
VALUABLE OIL PAINTINGS,
including several Fine Works purchased at the Sale of the Douglas Collection by Old Masters and Modern Painters,
HOBBENIA, PAUL DELAROCHE, GEORGE MORLAND, GUILLEMAN, and others.
WATER-COLOUR DRAWINGS.
THE APPOINTMENTS OF
DINING-ROOM.
MASSIVE OAK SIDEBOARD, Artistic Design, with admirably constructed Enclosed Cupboards, Cellarette, Plate Drawers, etc.
SUITE OF SOLID OAK DINING CHAIRS, with Crocodile Leather Seats.
LUXURIOUS CHESTERFIELD COUCH, Upholstered in Eastern Saddlebags.
EXHIBITION BOOKCASE, manufactured in Rare Australian Woods, 4ft.
DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE,
including—
RARE JAPANESE LACQUERED CABINET, with Panels overlaid with Ivory and Mother-o'-Pearl, and specially fitted for the display of Rare China and Bric-a-Brac.
ROYAL DOULTON AND WORCESTER ORNAMENTS.
SUPERB UPRIGHT PIANOFORTE,
by RUD. IBACH SOHN, BARMEN.
This fine Instrument possesses rare qualities of tone and touch, combined with perfect resonance, and cannot be too highly recommended.
WALNUT UPRIGHT PIANOFORTE,
by G. KLINGMAN, Berlin, a sweet-toned Instrument, in splendid condition.
BELL CABINET ORGAN,
with eleven stops and knee swells, tone rich and powerful.
BEDROOM FURNITURE,
including
VERY HANDSOME DOUBLE BEDROOM SUITE, specially made in London,
in solid English ash, with panels of rosewood, inlaid with Marqueterie.
THE APPOINTMENTS OF FIVE MINOR BEDROOMS.
BLACK AND BRASS, DOUBLE AND SINGLE HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS, with woven wire mattresses, horsehair mattresses, etc., complete.
TWO HANNAM'S COPPER BATH HEATERS (for gas, in perfect order).
FIRST-CLASS SEWING MACHINE.
FURNITURE AND APPOINTMENTS,
for
DAY AND NIGHT NURSERIES.
Also
FURNITURE FOR SERVANTS' QUARTERS, KITCHEN, PANTRIES, and LAUNDRY.
And
A HIGH-CLASS SINGLE-SEATED BUGGY,
WITH PNEUMATIC RUBBER TYRES,
purchased by Mr. NICHOLSON at THE TORONTO EXHIBITION, and practically new.
FIRST-CLASS BICYCLES.
LADY'S, GENTLEMAN'S, GIRL'S, and YOUTH'S.
TWO PURE-BRED JERSEY COWS.
JERSEY HEIFER.
PRIZE STRAIN POULTRY,
Black and Buff Orpingtons, Wyandottes, etc.
GALVANISED IRON SHED.
*** CATALOGUES will be posted on application, and may be obtained from THE OFFICES OF THE AUCTIONEERS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street.
*** CHAMONIX will be open TO VIEW THIS DAY, MONDAY, from 10 o'clock a.m. to 5 o'clock p.m.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FINE ART and GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, have been favoured with instructions from J. B. NICHOLSON, Esq., to conduct the Important Sale by Auction, at his residence, as above.

JAPANESE WORKS OF ART.
HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE EXHIBITION
and
SALE BY AUCTION,
on
WEDNESDAY NEXT, MARCH 8,
AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.,
at
THE ART GALLERY SALE ROOMS
of
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
128, 130 PITT-STREET (near King-street).
VALUABLE COLLECTION OF
JAPANESE WORKS OF ART,
the property of a Lady just arrived from Japan by China Navigation Co.'s Steamer Taiyuan,
comprising
Silk Apparel, Dressing Jackets and Gowns, Kimonos, Smoking Jackets, Silk and Embroidered Umbrellas, etc.
VALUABLE IVORY CARVINGS AND BRONZES,
Imari Plaques, Satsuma Plaques, and Bowls and Vases.
LADIES' SAGETABAKOIRES (Purses) and BELTS.
Silk Embroidered Screens, Cushion Covers, etc.
HANDSOME AND ARTISTIC
WALL HANGINGS.
VALUABLE EMBROIDERED SCREENS.
HANDSOME JARDINIERES and PEDESTALS, and a
VALUABLE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE ORNAMENTS,
Etc., Etc., Etc.
*** ON VIEW THIS DAY, MONDAY, 6th, TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, 7th, and PRIOR TO SALE ON WEDNESDAY, 8th. Each day from 10 o'clock a.m.
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE, FINE ART and GENERAL AUCTIONEERS, have been favoured with instructions to conduct the Important Sale by Auction, as above.
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

TO THE FANCY TRADES, HAWKERS, and DEALERS.
At the New Auction Mart,
176 Clarence-st (near Market-st).
THIS DAY, MONDAY, at 11 sharp.
General Fancy Goods, Cutlery, Toilet Soaps, Razors, Strodware, Brooches, Necklets, Combs, Brushware,
M. GOULSTON and CO., Auctioneers.

COMPARE THEM WITH OTHERS. THEY HAVE NO EQUAL.
LILY CREAM CRACKERS.
REMEMBER THAT ALL LILY BISCUITS ARE MANUFACTURED FROM THE VERY CHOICEST INGREDIENTS ONLY.
NO SUBSTITUTES USED.

AUCTION SALES.

CONTINUATION SALE
of
FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS,
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.
AT THE AUCTION SALEROOMS
of
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
128-130 PITT-STREET, near King-street,
THIS DAY, MONDAY, 6th MARCH,
AT 11 A.M.
Under Instructions from THE MORTGAGEES, and on account of several Private Interests.

CITY FREEHOLDS.
By Order of the
TRUSTEE OF THE WILL OF ANNIE REYNOLDS.
KENT-STREET,
South of Erskine-street.
LOT 1.—LAND, 31 feet 9 inches frontage to the west side of KENT-STREET, with a depth of 121 feet. On it are TWO HOUSES, Nos. 303 and 305, TORRENS TITLE.
LOT 2.—LAND, 47 feet 2½ inches frontage to the east side of KENT-STREET, with a depth of 65 feet 9 inches on one side and 66 feet 11 inches on the other. On it are TWO STORES, Nos. 252 and 254 KENT-STREET, let on lease expiring 17th April, 1912, at a ground rental of £80 per annum.
*** THESE FREEHOLDS are in an IMPORTANT PART of the CITY, close to WHARFS, WAREHOUSES, and BUSINESS CENTRE.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by Auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 10th March, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above. Full particulars in future advertisement.
A. ROFE and SONS, Solicitors of the Estate. (1444)

1 ALBION-LANE, SURRY HILLS.
83ft frontage land x 41ft along right-of-way, near Riley, Albion, and Ann streets, a Store, Factory, or Yard Site.
2. FREEHOLD LAND, WOOLAHRA.
90 FEET Edgecliff-road, depth about 120ft back to lane, near to Stanley-street.
120 FEET Cooper-street, depth about 120ft back to lane, near to Stanley-street.
TO BUILDERS, INVESTORS, AND OTHERS.
At Auction Sale, FRIDAY, 10th March,
At our Rooms, 98 Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (1451)

NEAR MORISSET,
on Hornsby to Newcastle Line of Railway.
828 ACRES LAND, nearly the whole of an old Subdivision of Midway Estates, the lots varying from 20 acres to 41 acres. Situated a little over 1 mile from Morisset Railway Station, and having the roads to Gosford, Wollombi, and Maitland passing through it. A large part of the area is described as good Agricultural soil. Identified on the Parish Map as 960 acres Grant to H. Osborne. Plan on view.
It may be within the area of Coal Deposits.
By order of the Mortgagee.
JOSEPH THOMPSON, Esq., Vickery's-chambers, is the Solicitor.
AUCTION SALE FRIDAY, 10th March,
at our Rooms, 98 Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (1455)

WILLOUGHBY-ROAD, CROW'S NEST.
SHOP and Dwelling at the corner of this active thoroughfare with ATCHISON-STREET. Premises are neat, well built of brick, tuckpointed front, on concrete foundation, has awning two sides, double-window shop, four rooms, bathroom, kitchen, washhouse, stable. Rental £1 2s 6d per week, with option in lease to continue at larger rent. Opposite proposed 2d section. Torrens title. LAND 20 feet, average depth 120 feet; additional 22 feet frontage may be taken if desired.
AUCTION SALE, FRIDAY, 10th March,
at our Rooms, 98 Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON AND WRENCH, LTD. (1441)

STRATHFIELD.
HOLMWOOD, a detached COTTAGE, on the west side of HOMEBUSH-ROAD, a little south of REDMYRE-ROAD. It is of brick, front cemented and painted, other outside walls painted, stone foundations, slate roof, tiled verandah in front, and containing hall, 5 rooms, enclosed area, bathroom, kitchen, pantry, and laundry. Fuel shed. LAND, 50 FEET FRONTAGE, by a depth of 198 feet. Venetian blinds, gas, sewer, and city water.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 10th March, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above well-situated Cottage Residence, in a suburb with fast train service. (1465).

DULWICH HILL.
Elevated Position, and Commanding Extensive Views.
OMEGA, a detached double-fronted Cottage, fronting MACARTHUR-STREET, a short distance south of the Electric Tram, well finished, and in good order. It has verandah front and rear, and contains hall hall, 3 chefs, drawing and dining rooms, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, and laundry. Land, 40ft. x 140ft.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, LTD. (in conjunction with Arthur Smithers, Dulwich Hill), will sell by auction at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 10th MARCH, at 11 o'clock,
The above Cottage at Dulwich Hill. Well finished and in a high-class neighbourhood. (1456)

CORUNNA-ROAD, STANMORE,
close to tram at Nelson-street, Annandale, 24 section.
Desirable neat and substantial COTTAGE, of brick, front tuckpointed, tiled roof, verandah (tiled) in front, and containing half-hall, 4 rooms, bathroom in back verandah, kitchen and washhouse, gas, city water, and sewer connections. The Land has 30ft frontage to CORUNNA-ROAD, with a depth of 120ft back to a lane. TORRENS TITLE.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 10th March, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above comfortable and convenient Cottage, on South Annandale, Petersham Borough. Inspection invited. (1467)

GLEBE POINT.
HOUSE, No. 26 FORSYTH-STREET, at the corner of AVON-STREET. It is of brick, on stone, verandah and balcony, hall, 5 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, pantry, and washhouse. The LAND has 29ft frontage to Forsyth-street, 90ft to Avon-street, and "extending" to a lane.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 10th March, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above small Home, in a popular suburb, quickly and cheaply reached by tram. Key at shop opposite. Gas, sewer, and city water. (1466)

CHAPMAN-STREET, near OXFORD-STREET.
Close to Liverpool and College streets.
TWO HOUSES, Nos. 16 and 18, built of brick, each 3 rooms, kitchen, washhouse. No. 16 has stabling for 4 horses and traps. Land, 25ft x 77ft, back to a lane.
Investors, Vanmen, and others should inspect.
AUCTION SALE, FRIDAY, 10th MARCH,
at our Rooms, 98 Pitt-street, at 11 o'clock.
Messrs. MAKINSON and PLUNKETT are the Solicitors.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (1461)

By Order of the ADMINISTRATRIX of the Estate late A. C. BLANCHARD.
HOUSE, No. 79 COLLEGE-STREET, CAMPERDOWN, near Church-street, of brick on stone, balcony in front, and containing half-hall, 4 rooms and kitchen, washhouse of wood, gas, sewer, city water. LAND, 18ft frontage by 57ft back to lane.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 10th March, At 11.30 a.m., the above. (1462)
ST. PETERS, on Newtown Boundary.—McKechnie Estate, elevated, Land and Cottages, SAT. NEXT, R. and W., Ltd.
STRATHFIELD.—THE KING ESTATE,
NEXT SAT., at 3 p.m. R. and W., Ltd.

AUCTION SALES.

By order Executrix Estate late Mr. David McCall, PETERSHAM.
On the Southern Side of the Line, a short distance west of the Railway Station.
THREE CAPITAL BUILDING SITES,
Each 42ft. 6in. frontage to RAILWAY-TERRACE, one on the Corner of GORDON-STREET, depths 134ft., to 109ft.,
and
A BLOCK OF LAND having 67ft. frontage to GORDON-STREET, x 77ft. along Railway Lane, together with Kiln House thereon. Plan at Rooms.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, LTD., will Sell by Auction at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 10th MARCH, at 11 o'clock,
a The above Choice Property, at PETERSHAM. (1440)

EPPING.
On the Highlands, Strathfield and Hornsby Line.
A Double-fronted COTTAGE, FARNHAM, fronting NORFOLK-ROAD, on the eastern side of the line, and 70 minutes' walk from station. It is built of brick on stone foundation, with verandah front, side, and rear, and containing hall, 3 rooms, with weatherboard kitchen, bedroom, and washhouse, baker's oven, fowlhouse, summerhouse, etc. Key with Mr. Webb, adjoining.
Land 1 acre, lawn, fruit trees, and garden. Torrens title. Auction Sale at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 10th MARCH, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (1458)

PARISH OF MORRISSET, CTY. NORTHUMBERLAND.
LAKE MACQUARIE.
LOCHABAR 2nd Subdivision. Lots 22 to 27, section 9, 3 chains 34 links fntge. to Ellis-street x 1 chain 15 links to Railway-street; also Lots 41 and 42, sectn. H, 1 chain 11 links fntg. Waterview-street, x 1 chain 11 links. Torrens Title.
AUCTION SALE AT THE ROOMS, PITT-STREET, on FRIDAY, 10th MARCH, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, LTD. (1460)

STRATHFIELD.
The Railway Suburb that attracts.
KING ESTATE,
judiciously subdivided.
DIRECT ACCESS TO STRATHFIELD STATION,
Quick and Slow Trains.
Only a few minutes' pleasant run to the city, thus rendering the land very desirable for residence.
Frontages are to
HOMEBUSH-ROAD,
REDMYRE-ROAD (100ft. wide),
THE AVENUE.
Each lot is 66ft. frontage; depths, 152ft. to 200ft.
LITHOGRAPHS READY.
BUILDERS, INVESTORS, and Home Site Seekers should inspect and consider the purchase.
EASY TERMS. TORRENS TITLE.
These Sites are mostly excellent in situation, as no Railway suburb ranks higher in estimation than Strathfield.
ITS HEALTHFULNESS.
WATER, GAS, SEWERAGE,
CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS
(public and private),
UNMATCHED QUICK TIME SERVICE,
and GENERAL GOOD RESIDENCES,
all combine to
COMMAND ATTENTION
from home and investing buyers.
SOLICITORS for Vendors, Messrs. Houston and Barnes, No. 10 O'Connell-street.
AUCTION

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

Owners whose horses still remain in the Ascot Vale Stakes should note that the forfeit of 1 sov. must be paid to the secretary of the V.R.C., Melbourne, before 11 a.m. to-day, or liability for the full amount of the sweepstake will be incurred.

The Epping Racing Club's programme of pony and galloway races will be found in our business columns. Entries close with the secretary (Mr. S. Peters) at 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

The weekly meeting of the Rosebery Park Racing Club will eventuate to-day, when the first race will start at 2.15 p.m. Special trams will leave Bent-street every few minutes from 12.46 p.m. until 1.26 p.m., and ordinary trams every 10 minutes.

Entries for the New South Wales Trotting Club's meeting at Epping on the 14th inst close with the secretary (Mr. R. C. Hungerford) at 5 p.m. to-day. The programme is as follows:—Trial Handicap of 15 sovs., 1m 1f; Flying Handicap of 25 sovs, second 3 sovs 1m; Trotting Club Handicap of 20 sovs, second 3 sovs, 1m; Pony Handicap (14.0 and under) of 15 sovs, 1m; Epping Handicap of 20 sovs second 2 sovs, 1½m.

The Warwick Farm meeting, to be held on the 18th inst, finally calls for attention to-day, as entries close with the secretary (Mr. P. A. Ontley) at 4 p.m. Following is the programme:—Farm Stakes of 50 sovs, 6f; Jumpers' Flat Race of 50 sovs, 1¼m; Flying Mile of 50 sovs, 1m; Warwick Handicap of 100 sovs, 1¼m; Pace Welter of 50 sovs, 6f.

The well-bred Istria, who is by Haut Brion (imp.) from Trieste, was among the runners for the Welter Handicap at **Moorefield.** She carried the minimum weight of 8st 7lb, but showed she is possessed of a good turn of speed, and was very prominent for about half a mile. She was one of the last to finish, but backers will probably keep her in mind when she next runs among others of her own age. The stewards questioned her rider, D. Lee, after the race, and administered a caution to him for his handling of the filly.

Entries for the Newcastle J.C. meeting, which takes place on the 15th inst, and also for the Newcastle Cup, close with the secretary (Mr. J. Grisdale) to-day.

VICTORIAN SPORTING NOTES.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

After his success in the Essendon Stakes on Saturday a demand set in for Dividend for the Australian Cup, and on the course upwards of £2000 was secured at 4 and 3½ to 1, while in the evening at the Victorian Club rooms wagers of 400 to 100 and 350 to 100 were booked about Lord Cardigan's half-brother. Lord Ullin's Daughter also came into notice for the long distance event after her running in the Newmarket, and 6 to 1 was the best offer against Mr. Foy's mare, some wagers having been booked at that price. Munderah was quoted at 7 to 1, while 10 to 1 could be had bar three.

R. Lewis, the rider of Pliable in the Brunswick Stakes, was cautioned by the stewards for careless riding.

H. Coffey, apprenticed to T. Payten, lodged a complaint against J. Donnelly, trainer of Gunstock, for breaking his engagement to ride the filly in the Brunswick Stakes. The stewards ordered Donnelly to pay the jockey £3, the value of a losing mount.

VICTORIAN TRAINING NOTES.

FLEMINGTON.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The sand track at Flemington was very fast on Saturday morning, but no particular interest was attached to the work, which for the most part consisted of short spurts by the horses engaged to race in the afternoon. The best performers in that line were Playaway, who beat Lord Ullin's Daughter at the end of a three-furlongs spin in 37s, and Charles Stuart, who ran a similar distance on the tan in the same time. Green Mountain and Elvo galloped a mile and a half in 2m 48⅘s, running the first mile in 1m 52s, mile and a quarter in 2m 20s, and once round in 2m 53⅘s. Mark ran the last six furlongs of a mile in 1m 21⅘s. Transport beat Scotch Reel in a gallop once round in 2m 38s. A new arrival, the Tasmanian steeplechaser, Young Crewick, who looks well, did good pacing, and other jumpers, Sherfoyle, Wickliffe, Cronje, Aeronaut, Matong, and Snowstorm, all did useful tasks. Sarasati galloped once round in 2m 36s, Cyrano assisting over the last portion of the journey. Marmont did useful pacing, and Newmarket galloped once round in 2m 40⅘s, the last mile in 1m 52⅖s. Decollete beat Charmont over five furlongs in 1m 8s. It was quite like winter at Flemington this morning, and there was not much work done. Marmont (Mason) galloped a mile and five furlongs in 2m 58⅖s, the first mile and a quarter 2m 17⅗, round in 2m 31⅘s, and mile and a half in 2m 44⅗s. Mario was to have joined in for the final five furlongs, but got left badly, and was of no assistance. Marmont went well throughout and finished strongly, but did not do quite as good time as in his corresponding gallop last year, when he ran the same distance in 2m 57s. Canteen and Haut Nove went over a mile on the tan in 1m 53⅘s. Young Creswick did well in running a mile in 1m 51⅘s. Matong went strongly for about a round, doing six furlongs in 1m 28s. Maltie (J. O'Brien) went two miles and a quarter, but did not have much pace on at any part of the journey, which occupied 4m 31⅘s. Snowstorm did strong work over a couple of miles, the last being done in even time.

CAULFIELD.

At Caulfield on Saturday the weather was cold and threatening, but soon after daylight it became fine. Work on the tracks was principally confined to spurting over short distances, Medallist registering 38s for three furlongs and Abington half a second longer. Blinker appeared sore at starting off, and had no chance with Avalon over four furlongs in which the latter was going better than Gilda 53⅘s. Durban was going better than Gilda for six furlongs in 1m 24s. Poster beat the Penzance gelding at the end of a mile in 1m 56⅖s, and Skibo ran the same journey comfortably in 1m 52⅖s. P.M.G. and Freedom each did strong work, and Orlando and Brilliance bowled along for a mile in 1m 53⅘s. Betrayer following in a second less. Lamrock (M'Gee) hit out for a mile and half, running the first seven furlongs in 1m 34⅖s, nine in 2m 11s, and the full journey in 2m 48s. English Rose was not trying to make time over a mile in 1m 52⅖s. Gravity, on sufferance, beat Purser over seven furlongs in 1m 30⅖s, and a number of others did useful exercise.

MOOREFIELD RACING CLUB.

MARCH MEETING.

ATTAIN WINS A DOUBLE.

MOOREFIELD HANDICAP WON BY FIRECLAY.

Perfect weather was experienced for the Moorefield Racing Club's meeting on Saturday, which attracted a good attendance. The heavy rains which had fallen during the two previous days had had a beneficial effect upon the course, while the track, although a trifle heavy, was in good order. The Moorefield Handicap resulted in an exciting finish between Yo San and Fireclay, the latter winning by a narrow margin, but the other events were won easily. The racing passed off without mishap, but several matters claimed the attention of the stewards. For crossing his field too sharply in the Jockeys' Flat Race, W. Burke, rider of Attaway, was cautioned by the stewards, who also admonished D. Lee for his handling of Istria in the Welter Handicap. After the last race a protest was lodged against the winner, Attain, on behalf of Coming round the bend Braemar got his head in front, and turned into the straight clear of Adnaw, Braemar was not afterwards troubled, and won in a canter by a length and a half, Arezzo being six lengths further back. Time, 2m 17s.

MOOREFIELD HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstakes of £3 for starters, with 100 sovs added; second 20 sovs, and third 10 sovs. 1¼m.

Mr. R. Keys's br g Fireclay, by Rusnalf—Doodee, 6yrs, 8st 5lb (G. Selby) 1
Mr. W. J. Day's br m Yo San, 5yrs, 7st (D. Bethke) 2
Mr. J. Berry's blk g Tatterdemalion, 6yrs, 9st 5lb (D. Lee) 3

Other starters: Pierrot, 7st 10lb (J. Rogers); Pause, 7st 4lb (F. Quinn); Kopje, 7st 4lb (C. Thomas); Muffler, 7st (W. Kenny).

Betting: 5 to 4 v Tatterdemalion, 4 to 1 each v Fireclay and Yo San, 5 to 1 v Pierrot, 8 to 1 v Pause, 10 to 1 v Kopje, 20 to 1 v Muffler.

Tatterdemalion and Pierrot were first to move, but when the field got going Muffler went to the front, and led past the stand a length from Yo San, who was half a length in advance of Tatterdemalion and Kopje, with the others close up, and Fireclay last. At the swamp Muffler was leading by a length from Tatterdemalion, Kopje, and Yo San, with Pierrot next, a length in front of the others. The same positions were maintained past the six furlongs post, but the field closed up in the next furlong, where Muffler was half a length from Tatterdemalion, who had Kopje, Pause, and Yo San at his heels. At the half-mile post Pause had his head in front of Tatterdemalion, and Yo San, Fireclay and Muffler were following, a couple of lengths further back. At the top of the hill Yo San had worked her way to the first position, a neck in front of Tatterdemalion, who had Pause at his throat strap, with Fireclay next. Yo San turned into the straight a couple of lengths from the favourite, but at the distance was again challenged by Tatterdemalion, who had Fireclay at his girths, and a great race home resulted in a short head win for Fireclay, with the favourite a length off third, Pierrot was a length away fourth, and two lengths in front of Pause and Kopje, with Muffler last. Time, 2m 17s.

WELTER HANDICAP, a handicap sweepstakes of £1 4s for starters, with 60 sovs added; second 10 sovs. 6f.

Mr. A. Gollan's br f Attain, by Romley (imp.)—Huriel, 9st, incl. 7lb penalty (A. M'Crimmon) 1
Mr. E. Keys's ch g Bridge, 4yrs, 9st 8lb (G. Selby) 2
Mr. E. J. Arthur's b m Prince's Gift, 4yrs, 10st 4lb (P. Houseman) 3

Other starters: Transvaal, 9st 8lb (J. Montgomery); Velocity, 9st 8lb (W. Bradshaw); Horologist, 9st (W. Bracken); Barcela, 8st 7lb (A. Gardiner); Istria, 8st 7lb (D. Lee).

Betting: 5 to 2 v Attain, 2 to 1 each v Bridge and Horologist, 4 to 1 v Prince's Gift, 10 to 1 v the others.

Attain, followed by Prince's Gift, was first away, and the former led past the five furlongs post a couple of lengths from Istria, Bridge and Prince's Gift, with Horologist next. These positions were pretty well maintained at the half-mile post, and going up the hill Attain still held her advantage from Bridge, who was attended a couple of lengths off by Istria and Prince's Gift, with Horologist and Velocity next. At the bend the favourite had opened up a gap of four lengths from Bridge, who was well clear of Prince's Gift and Horologist. The same order was maintained into the straight and in the run home, Attain winning easily by four lengths from Bridge, who was a length and half in advance of Prince's Gift. Horologist was fourth, four lengths off, and a couple in front of Transvaal; then came Barcela and Istria, with Velocity last. Time, 1m 20⅘s.

BEGA DISTRICT JOCKEY CLUB.

BEGA, Saturday.

The show races under the auspices of the district J.C. were held on the racecourse yesterday. The attendance was over 2000, and the gate takings £141. Results:—

Hurdle Race of 90 sovs, 2m 180yds.—Mrs. Haigh's b g Bernie, by Little Bernie—Black Rose, 6yrs, 10st 9lb (A. Hulkins), 1; Mr. Tarlinton's Charlie, 10st 9lb (G. Morton), 2; Mr. S. Underhill's ch g Lennox Junior, aged, 9st (M'Neil), 3. Other starters: The Future, Happy, Robin. Betting: 2 to 1 v Bernie. Won by half a length. Time, 4m 12s.

Hack Handicap of 80 sovs, 6f.—Mr. M. Keating's br g Malice, by Birrangambi—Despite, aged, 8st 12lb (G. Howard); 1; Mrs. W. Frazer's br m Hurette, 4yrs, 8st 3lb (Ramsey), 2; Mr. P. Daly's ch m Ivy, aged, 9st 11lb (Hibburd), 3. Other starters: Huret Rose, Actor II., Ruffian, Jew Boy. Betting: 2 to 1 v Malice. Won by a length and a half. Time, 1m 17⅘s.

Trial Handicap of 20 sovs, 7f.—Mr. Keating's ch g Medal Patrick, by Medallion—Devotion, 4yrs, 8st 5lb (G. Howard), 1; Mrs. Haigh's ch g Jingera, 6yrs, 9st 7lb (Haigh), 2; Mr. Barnes's ch m Cobannas, 5yrs, 8st 10lb (Clarke), 3. Other starters: Orubu, Distance, Mr. Chimsy, Murray. Betting: Evens Medal Patrick. Won by half a length. Murray fell, and the rider (Mercer) escaped with a shaking. Time, 1m 34⅘s.

Open Trot of 15 sovs, 1½m.—Mr. Ellis's b h Roy, by Tuxedo—Gladys, 6yrs, 17s behind (W. Martin), 1; Mr. S. Underhill's br g Rebel Prince, 5yrs, 5s behind (Otton), 2; Mr. J. A. Underhill's b g Toronto, aged, 17s behind (owner), 3. Other starters: Rebel Junior, Ruberoid, White Foot, Fairview, Milner, Bully Boy, Rebel Girl, Alcock, N.M., 8s behind; Rebel Maud, Kathleen, 14s behind. Betting: 3 to 1 v Roy. Won by half a length. Time, 4m 14s.

Show Handicap of 40 sovs, 1m 110yds.—Malice, 9st 11lb (G. Howard), 1; Mr. Daly's ch m Ivy, aged, 9st 11lb (Hibburd), 2; Mr. Tapper's The Future, 6yrs, 8st 13lb (T. O'Keefe), 3. Other starters: Huret Rose, Cordite, Actor II., Medallist, Zola, Disturbance. Betting: 4 to 1 v Malice. Won by half a length. Time, 1m 58s.

HEXHAM RACES.

NEWCASTLE, Sunday.

The Hexham races held yesterday resulted as follows:—

Flying Handicap, 6f.—Mr. T. Atkinson's Croxdale, 7st (Ackroyd), 1; Mr. J. McMahon's Goldlock, 7st 2lb (Devereaux), 2; Mr. E. Connor's Dudley, 6st 7lb (Gilmore), 3.

Trial Stakes, 6f.—Mr. W. Keegan's Hetton, 8st 8lb (Devereaux), 1; Mr. J. Dawson's R.A.P., 8st 6lb (McKenzie), 2; Mr. L. Wellard's Wira Gulla, 8st (Gilmore), 3.

Hexham Handicap, 7f.—Mr. E. Curtis' Warkworth (late Dolly), by Dalmeny—Lady Maria, 7st (Gilmore), 1; Mr. N. Johns' Hush, 7st 4lb (Johns), 2; Mr. J. McMahon's Goldlock, 7st (Devereaux), 3. Time, 1m 27s.

Hack Handicap, 6f.—Maggie Moore, 1; Victor, 2; Hetton, 3.

Farewell Handicap, 6f.—Mr. D. Lewis' Encoma, by Grafton—Aurecole, 7st 7lb (Byrne), and Mr. E. Connor's Dudley, 6st 7lb (*Gilmore*), dead heat; Mr. T. A. Atkinson's Croxdale, 7st (Ackroyd), 3.

BRISBANE JOCKEY CLUB.

BRISBANE, Sunday.

The Albion Park races were held on Saturday in fine weather. There was a fair attendance.

Park Handicap, 1m.—Desmond, by Alar—Donna, 7st 12lb (P. Coughlin), 1; Fondle, 8st 6lb (C. Bolton), 2; Watvil, 9st 6lb (J. H. Gorman), 3. Two others started. Betting: 3 to 1 v Fondle, 5 to 1 v Desmond, 10 to 1 v Westvil. Won by a head. Time, 1m 46⅘s. Dividend, £1 12s.

ROSEBERY PARK RACES.

The following weights have been issued for the Rosebery Park pony and galloway races, which take place to-day:—

Flying Handicap, 4f.—Veronica 9st 5lb, Loch Arrow 8st 12lb, Pivot 8st 8lb, Good Mona 8st 6lb, Impudent 8st 3lb, Grafter 7st 11lb, Geraldine 7st 9lb, Imperial 7st 9lb, Loyal Prix 7st 7lb, Fairy Scene 7st.

Fourteen-one Handicap, 4½f.—Sea Shell 9st 5lb, Maiden 9st 4lb, Mildred 8st 7lb, Arlene 8st 5lb, Charlotte 7st 9lb, Miss Parry 7st 7lb, Bay Nell 7st 2lb, Encourage 7st, Hiphah 7st 5lb.

Novice Handicap, 4f.—Lady Bell 9st 7lb, Pretty Holly 9st 5lb, Battalion 9st, Corrie 8st 12lb, Myth 8st 10lb, Bantfield: 8st 7lb, Rex 8st 4lb, R.R. 8st 4lb, Jelusean 8st 3lb, Kirkham 8st 2lb, La Perouse 8st, Hilarious 8st, The Ace 8st, Florence May 7st 12lb, Miss Nell 7st 11lb, Electric Light 7st 8lb, Sauce 7st 7lb, Fargo 7st 7lb, Carbeen 7st 7lb.

Fourteen Hands Handicap, 4f.—Mildred 8st 5lb, Lulean 7st 12lb, Asteria 7st 7lb, Quality 7st 7lb, Dinah J. 7st 7lb, Blue Flower 7st 4lb, Profit 7st.

Fourteen-two Handicap, 4½f.—Good Mona 10st 8lb, Nellie Ray 8st 3lb, Esperance 8st, Report 7st 12lb, The Dove 7st 9lb, Blue Bell 7st 7lb, Sunshine 7st.

Rosebery Park Handicap, 6½f.—Opinion 10st 9lb, Orange Nut 9lb, Loch Arrow 8st 9lb, Scotch Pebble 8st 8lb, Monig 8st 7lb, Sasin 7st 12lb, Kilroy 7st 9lb, Copperfield 7st 4lb, Solitaire 7st 3lb, Zealot 7st, Cora II. 7st, Woodbine 7st, Esperance 7st.

ORANGE JOCKEY CLUB.

ORANGE, Friday.

Following are the weights for the principal events of the Orange Jockey Club's annual meeting:—

Opening Handicap.—Saraswati, 9st 12lb; Yanawa, 9st 7lb; Blue Flame, 9st 6lb; Mekoni, 8st 12lb; Tapster, 8st 10lb; Manitoba, 8st 9lb; Pause, 8st 5lb; Dumure, 8st 2lb; Berwick, 7st 11lb; Hamlet, 6st 10lb.

Town Plate.—Yanawa, 9st 6lb; Blue Flame, 9st 5lb; Gem, 8st 9lb; Lady May, 8st 9lb; Tapster, 8st 5lb; Glimmer, 8st 7lb; Manitoba, 8st 7lb; Pause, 7st 4lb; Dumure, 8st; Clod, 7st 12lb; Confederate, 7st 11lb; Miluk, 6st 7lb.

Orange Jockey Club Handicap.—Blue Flame, 8st 5lb; Gem, 8st 9lb; Tapster, 8st 9lb; Glimmer, 8st 7lb; Pause, 8st 4lb; Dumure, 8st; Clod, 7st 12lb; Confederate, 7st 11lb; Cassidy, 7st 10lb; Aubertint, 7st; Miluk, 6st 7lb; Soperbus, 6st 7lb.

SHOALHAVEN TURF CLUB RACES.

The following weights have been issued for the Shoalhaven Turf Club's meeting:—

Meroo Flying Handicap, 6f.—Rebound, 9st 5lb; Sperm Light, 8st 12lb; Tycha Tycha, 8st 10lb; Elsie, 8st 3lb; Thelma, 8st; The Toreador, 7st 7lb; Gouli, 7st 5lb.

Bomaderry Trial Stakes, 6f.—South Head, 9st 5lb; Rena, 8st 4lb; Bothenation, 8st 4lb; Lady Dunmore, 7st 10lb; Velox, 7st 7lb; Notmam, 7st 7lb; Bobsdill, 7st 7lb; Cannon, 7st 7lb; Comet, 7st 7lb.

Nowra Town Plate, 1m.—La Hogue, 9st 5lb; Parma, 8st 10lb; Tyson, 8st 10lb; Rebound, 8st 10lb; Query, 8st; Tycha Tycha, 8st; Atlantean, 8st; Barb, 7st 7lb; Elsie, 7st 7lb; Thelma, 7st 5lb.

Tomerong Welter, 7f.—La Hogue, 10st 5lb; Parma, 9st 10lb; Tyson, 9st 10lb; Sperm Light, 9st 6lb; Atlantean, 9st; South Head, 9st; Barb, 8st 10lb; Elsie, 8st 10lb; The Toreador, 8st; Gouli, 7st 10lb; Bothernation, 7st 7lb; Lady Dunmore, 7st 7lb; Velox, 7st 7lb; Comet, 7st 7lb.

QUEANBEYAN JOCKEY CLUB.

QUEANBEYAN, Saturday.

Following are the weights for the principal events:—Publicans' Purse, 7f.—Silver Forest, 10st 5lb; Ballalaba, 8st 10lb; Amalgam, 8st 7lb; Avondale, 8st 4lb; Appeal (late Leap Frog), 7st 10lb; Silver Spray, 7st 8lb; Greenwell, 7st 8lb; Ivan, 7st 2lb; Glen, 7st 2lb; Fashion, 7st; Belinda, 7st; Clipper, 6st 12lb.

Queanbeyan Handicap, 1m.—Silver Forest, 10st 3lb; Ballalaba, 8st 5lb; Amalgam, 8st 5lb; Avondale, 8st 2lb; Appeal, 7st 8lb; Silver Spray, 7st 6lb; Greenwell, 7st 6lb; Glen, 7st; Fashion, 6st 12lb; Belinda, 6st 12lb; Clipper, 6st 10lb; Goldfinch, 6st 10lb.

PAROO AMATEUR TURF CLUB.

WANAARING, Saturday.

The following are the nominations for the Paroo A.T.C. races on April 27 and 28:—

Club Handicap.—Junket, Essene, Donella, Nikola, Mylot, Viva, Philadelphus, Mark, Paroo, Malden, Lorina, Scott, Ukon.

Wanaaring Handicap.—Junket, The Burn, Pirene, Hazard, Mylot, Viva, Philadelphus, Glacour, Exchange, Waterloo, King Will, Paroo, Maida, Scott, Lorina, Ukon.

GOLF.

The Australian Club's two American tournaments were continued on Saturday, when the fifth rounds for the honorary secretary's and honorary treasurer's trophies were played. The final rounds will be decided on March 11. The following are the results of the club competitions held on Saturday:—

AUSTRALIAN.

American Tournaments, Secretary's Trophy.

Fifth Round.

A. E. D'Arcy beat Dr. Gill.
A. L. Mullens beat G. W. Holdship.
Dr. Hinder beat Dr. C. G. Hodgson.
Mullens and D'Arcy have secured four wins.

Treasurer's Trophy.—Fifth Round.

W. G. Dixon beat W. Tilley.
H. M. Cockshott, a bye.
C. H. Caswell, a bye.

Cockshott and Tilley have secured four wins, Dixon and Caswell three.

HUNTER'S HILL.

A match was played between teams chosen by Mr. V. Le Gay Brereton and Mr. G. W. Phillips. Scores:—

V. Le Gay Brereton	8	G. W. Phillips	4
A. L. Mackenzie..	8	N. F. Christoe	0
E. A. Russell..	8	W. A. Windeyer	0
H. R. Lysaght ..	1	F. J. Blaxland	0
A. W. Macansh ..	5	C. H. Pearson	0
T. Buckland ..	0	E. F. Broad	4
W. Leigh ..	0	R. J. A. Roberts	1
R. Manning ..	8	R. Smith	0
H. D. Walsh ..	5	A. Edwards	0
Total ..	37	Total	7

Next Saturday a match will be played between teams selected by Mr. R. Smith and Mr. C. L. Mackenzie.

CONCORD.

Men's Foursomes.

A. Orr and W. J. Gunning	87—12=75
Dr. Blaxland and F. F. Hall	99—17=82
A. C. Read and C. A. Fraser	96—12=84
K. Nott and A. R. Harwood	98—12=86
Dr. Friell and H. Wade	100—12=88
W. H. Cotter and E. M. de Burgh	102—13=89
R. W. Mackellar and L. A. B. Wade	107—14=93
T. W. Garrett and T. W. K. Waldron	112—18=94

STRATHFIELD.

Bogey Match.

K. H. Sheppard (handicap 13), 4 up.
J. F. Adams (handicap 6), 1 up.
R. B. Godbolt (handicap 4), square.
Rev. Cunliffe Jones (handicap 14), square.
W. Wickham (handicap 6), 3 down.

MARRICKVILLE.

Bogey Match.

P. R. Russell (handicap 4), 3 down.
F. W. Barker (12), 5 down.
G. Stewart (16), 5 down.
R. Aitken (4), 6 down.

The Forbes club's annual meeting was held on Friday. The officers elected were:—Patron, Mr. G. Maffan; president, Mr. A. Gilchrist; vice-presidents, Messrs. A. Sharp, A. J. Baldock, T. W. Cohen, A. J. Dunstan, and Dr. Covi; treasurer, Mr. C. H. Marshall; secretary, Mr. H. E. Richardson. The season will be opened on March 15.

CRICKET.

AUSTRALIA v OTAGO.

DUNEDIN, Saturday.

The match Australia v Otago was resumed at the Carisbrook Club's ground to-day in fine weather. The Australians had six wickets down for 201. Armstrong 5 and Gehrs 6 faced Shacklock and Fisher. Armstrong drove one hard to Austin at forward-cover, which the fieldsman stopped, but failed to hold. Both Maitland started to run, but hesitated, and Armstrong stood instead of trying to regain his crease. He was foolishly run out. Kelly quickly got to work, finding the bowling, Shacklock relieved Shacklock at 248. When the score was 267 Fisher got a well-deserved wicket, Kelly playing one crisply into Baker's hands at mid-on. In the afternoon there were 3500 spectators. Cotter got 14 off five successive balls from Fisher. At 301 Chadwick caught Cotter, who hit up 28 in a quarter of an hour, the score including three fours and one five. Howell was out the first ball, Shacklock clean bowling him. Gehrs carried his bat out for 45, compiled without giving a chance.

Otago's second innings began on a greatly improved wicket, but with the exception of Graham it was a sorry exhibition. The entrance was scored 11 over from Noble. He made a few fine, if faultless style, the strokes being all round the wicket, and good, particularly his late cutting. His score included three fours. The innings only lasted 90 minutes. The wickets fell in this order:—1 for 5, 2 for 49, 3 for 55, 4 for 65, 5 for 65, 6 for 69, 7 for 69, 8 for 72, 9 for 76, and 10 for 76. From Cotter five no-balls were scored, but he bowled splendidly, and just before being taken off sent down five successive maidens, bagging two wickets. Armstrong's leg-breaks tempted the batsmen to sky a ball to the boundary, where Gehrs effected two catches.

The defeat by an innings and 173 runs is the most decisive drubbing Otago has got from any visiting Australian team. The visitors at the conclusion of the game gave an exhibition of batting. Scores:—

AUSTRALIA.—First Innings.

Trumper, c Graham, b Austin	87
Duff, b Shacklock	74
Hill, c Cramond, b Shacklock	15
Noble, c Siedeberg, b Shacklock	2
Gregory, b Shacklock	4
Armstrong, b Shacklock	12
Hopkins, lbw, b Fisher	3
Gehrs, not out	45
Kelly, c Baker, b Fisher	28
Cotter, c Chadwick, b Fisher	28
Howell, b Shacklock	0
Sundries	6
Total	304

Bowling: Shacklock, five for 124; Fisher, three for 94; Austin, one for 17; Chadwick, none for 42; Siedeberg, none for 21.

OTAGO.—First Innings, 85.

Second Innings.

Austin, b Cotter	14
Siedeberg, c Noble, b Cotter	3
Graham, c Noble, b Cotter	28
Cramond, b Hopkins	3
Baker, b Armstrong	9
Howell, c and b Hopkins	2
Fisher, b Hopkins	0
Williams, c Gehrs, b Armstrong	0
Kilgour, c Gehrs, b Armstrong	7
Shacklock, not out	0
Chadwick, b Hopkins	10
Total	76

Bowling.—Noble, 7 overs, 1 maiden, 21 runs; Cotter, 12 overs, 6 maidens, 15 runs, 3 wickets, 5 no-balls; Hopkins, 8 overs, 1 maiden, 18 runs, 4 wickets; Armstrong, 8 overs, 3 maidens, 9 runs, 3 wickets.

The Australians will commence the first of the matches with a New Zealand team on March 10.

LOCAL COMPETITIONS.

FIRST GRADE FINAL ROUND.

WICKETS IN FAVOUR OF BOWLERS.

The downpour on Thursday and Friday caused a transformation in the appearances of the grounds, and in the bright sunshine on Saturday, when the final round of the first-grade competition was commenced, the swards were a vivid green. The rainfall, as often happens, was heaviest in the eastern portion of the metropolis, and in consequence the turf there was softer than elsewhere. The defaced pitches rapidly improved, but they were so soaked that the five first-grade teams which took the toss had to bat first. The prevailing conditions were relished by the bowlers, while the batsmen, especially those who had to go in early in the afternoon, were generally discomfited, for run-getting was difficult. A number of bowlers were in their element, and, assisted by the pitch, got plenty of work with the ball, and as their averages improved there were but few batsmen who succeeded in raising theirs, and no less than 27 men failed to score. As a result of the play North Sydney, who are leading in the competition, with 14 points, are next on the road to securing another win, and are therefore gaining the premiership. Burwood are second with 12 points, and Paddington third with seven. In the second grade the North Sydney team is first with 20 points, and Manly second with 19, and two more rounds have to be played.

At the Sydney Cricket Ground Glebe were sent in by Waverley, and matters went against them from the outset, and the fortunes of the game never turned in their favour. Four wickets were down for nine, and the pavilion batsmen should have been expected to hit out. Brisbane and Bardsley stemmed the rot, and at 35 caused Stan. Gregory to relieve A. Newell, who trundled at the southern end. The new bowler put all the power he had into his deliveries, and Carter, the wicketkeeping took them stabbing right up to the stumps. This was a striking example of Carter's pluck and skill with the gloves, but it also betokened the impression the rain had made on the turf. Brisbane got a four over slip's head, and another to the boundary off Gregory, who then knocked a stump over, and a procession of batsmen followed, the total being 77. Carter cleverly caught Bardsley. The ball flew off the bat and shot up from the wicketkeeper's gloves, and making a half-turn to the right Carter held it at the third grasp. Gregory put a good length, took two wickets with successive balls, and his performance was his best this season. Carter rattled up 14, which included three fours, and was splendidly caught at point by Bardsley off a hard cut. Mackenzie promptly opened his shoulders, and made some powerful strokes, a straight and lofty hit off Bowden landing on the asphalt. It was a very fine stroke, for a fieldsman was posted right out in the direction of the ball, which soared over him as he backed over the grass. Another from the same trundler bounced into the smoker's pavilion, the same bowler smacked one into the members' stand. Early in his innings this hitter was nearly run out. He went almost down the pitch, but his partner, C. Gregory, declined to move, and but his partner, C. Gregory, declined to move, and though a bad return he escaped. Mackenzie, who had got 35 when his partner was 20, was missed when in the twenties by Bardsley off Bowden from a skyscraper on the off side. The fieldsman made no mistake when he was given another chance, and Mackenzie returned with 62 to his credit, making the highest first-grade score. The first Waverley wicket fell at 20, and the second at 88. It was thought that Bowman would have got good results, but he never got going.

North Sydney are in a strong position in their match with Central Cumberland, who, losing the toss, were dismissed for 47, and have four wickets down in the second innings for 12. McCarthy carried off the bowling honours by taking five wickets for 28, and two for 3. The North Shoremen compiled 145, towards which the main contributors were Iredale 30, and Redgrave 25. Pye captured five wickets for 50. Burwood had perforce to bat first at Hampden Park, and started well against Paddington. Four of the first five batsmen getting 170, and the sundries amounted to 21, but the total of the side was, however, only 213. Johnston got 32, and was the second highest score in this competition during the day. Diamond's 45, Bardoux's 40, and Mackay's 33, were highly serviceable scores. Paddington have lost one wicket for 15. Redfern, on their own ground, obtained 183 against Sydney. Five of the team failed to score, and another got only a single. This failure was mainly due to Richardson, who bagged five wickets for 19. Foster was not out 38, and M'Donald got 37. Sydney put up 97 for five wickets. Sullivan bowled most effectively for Balmain against University, taking seven wickets for 39 out of a total of 86. With eight wickets down for 116 (Coyle 20 not out), Balmain appear to have the game in hand.

In the second grade matches, North Sydney were the highest run-getters, and obtained 321 (Berne 112) against Waverley. Redfern responded with 96 for Paddington's 73, the latter, going in again, lost five wickets for 29. S. M'Kenzie (Paddington) took six wickets for only 4. Tye (Redfern) dismissed four men in the first innings for three, and has taken four wickets in the second.

FIRST GRADE.

BURWOOD v. PADDINGTON.

At Hampden Park.

Burwood.—First Innings.

Mackay, lbw, b Carew	33	Garnsey, b Carty	2
Johnston, b Carew	32	Gregg, c Edson, b Sayle	0
Diamond, b Sayle	45	O'Connor, c Iredale, b Collins	10
Donnan, c McCloy, b Sweetnam	1	Wallace, b Carty	0
Barbour, c Gow, b Carty	40	Searle, not out	6
Deane, c Gow, b Howell	2	Sundries	21
		Total	213

Bowling.—Carty, four for 52; Collins, one for 25; Sayle, two for 30; Carew, two for 50; Sweetnam, one for 20; McCloy, none for 14.

Paddington.—First Innings.

Edson, c Deane, b Donnan	0
Winning, not out	8
Collins, not out	7
One wicket for	15

Bowling.—O'Connor, none for 4; Donnan, one for 8; Garnsey, none for 1; Deane, none for 2.

GLEBE v. WAVERLEY.

At Sydney Cricket Ground.

Glebe.—First Innings.

T. Duggan, c Carter, b Howard	0	H. Newell, b Stan Gregory	13
H. Gray, run out	0	A. J. Bowden, b Howard	13
J. Christie, c Stephen, b Howard	0	A. Buckle, c and b Stan Gregory	0
R. Brisbane, b Stan Gregory	28	P. Dive, not out	0
E. R. Bubb, at Carter, b Howard	6	C. Gorry (absent)	0
		Sundries	2
T. Buckland, c Carter, b Stan Gregory	16	Total	77

Bowling.—Howard, 17 overs, 2 maidens, 33 runs, four wickets; A. Newell, 9 overs, 1 maiden, 22 runs; Stan Gregory, 7 overs, 1 maiden, 20 runs, four wickets.

Waverley.—First Innings.

C. Gregory, st Bubb, b Christie	4	L. D'Arpuget, not out	5
H. Carter, c Bardsley, b Duggan	14	H. M. Stephen, b Bowden	8
A. C. K. Mackenzie, c Bardsley, b Buckle	63	Sundries	3
		Four wickets for	117

BALMAIN v. UNIVERSITY.

At Birchgrove Park.

University.—First Innings.

E. F. Waddy, b Woolcott	10	H. G. Allen, c Bernard, b Sullivan	5
F. C. Rogers, st Loveridge, b Sullivan	5	S. H. Harris, lbw, b Sullivan	25
M. Blaxland, b Sullivan	5	S. Walker, c Barrell, b Sullivan	14
R. Harvey, c and b Woolcott	9	G. G. Nathan, not out	0
A. P. Penman, st Loveridge, b Sullivan	0	J. Lane, c Loveridge, b Sullivan	1
G. T. Balcombe, c Coyle, b Sullivan	0	Sundry	1
		Total	85

Bowling.—Sullivan, seven for 39; Woolcott, two for 35; Bernard, one for 2; Young, none for 10.

Balmain.—First Innings.

F. Carrick, c Nathan, b Allen	8	W. D. Loveridge, b Walker	10
G. Barrell, c Blaxland, b Allen	11	S. Howe, run out	20
W. Young, b Walker	4	J. Coyle, not out	29
E. Jansen, lbw, b Walker	10	E. P. Woolcott, not out	0
W. Whitting, c and b Walker	2	Sundries	10
W. Bertelles, b Allen	2	Eight wickets for	116

Bowling.—Allen, four for 37; Penman, none for 6; Walker, three for 52; Harvey, none for 11.

REDFERN v SYDNEY DISTRICT.

At Redfern Oval.

Redfern.—First Innings.

Barnes, c Pite, b Middleton	28	Templeton, c Thomas, b Richardson	0
Goddard, c Patrick, b Middleton	23	Somes, b Richardson	0
Hayes, c Quist, b McBeth	28	Wordsworth, Ransshaw, b Richardson	0
Midlane, b Middleton	0	Tierney, lbw, b Richardson	9
McDonald, b McBeth	37	Sundries	22
Foster, not out	38	Total	183
Haines, not Deery, b Richardson	1		

Bowling.—Middleton, 16

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V.R.C. AUTUMN MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

NEWMARKET WON BY PLAYAWAY.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

On Saturday forenoon the weather prospects for the autumn reunion of the Victorian Racing Club were not quite reassuring, for heavy cloud banks in the north-east threatened rain, and a slight sprinkling fell shortly after midday, but it soon cleared off, and the remainder of the afternoon was bright, cool, and pleasant. The racing track was in splendid condition, and, like the reserves, was covered with a beautiful award of verdure, which was in bold contrast to the sombre surroundings that bear evidence to the lengthy spell of dry weather. The gathering on the metropolitan convincing ground, though hardly up to the average as regards numbers, was a thoroughly representative one, all the States of the Commonwealth contributing towards the assemblage, and among the visitors were many sportsmen from New South Wales. On the track the parent State was well represented, and the most important item on the programme the Newmarket Handicap, was captured by a Sydney sportsman, Mr. Francis Foy, whose nominations ran first and second in the great sprint race of the Autumn. The sport was free from accident, and the only matter to engage the attention of the stewards during the afternoon was a protest lodged against Rawden, the winner of the Brunswick Stakes, on grounds of interference, and which was not upheld.

THE RACING.

The Hopeful Stakes, a race for two-year-olds that had not received £50 in any one race, served as the opening event for the meeting, and 16 were stripped for contest. The Sydney filly Relish, a daughter of Haut Brion and Condiment, was installed favourite, and held her position at the head of quotations right up to the close of business. St. Peter, a Padlock gelding, was the next fancy, while the only others backed with confidence were Japhet and Kildean. The favourite and Cushla led the field to the course proper, where the latter faded out of the fray, and Smith was already busy with the whip on the former. At the distance Kildean, who had hitherto been running in the back division, came through in brilliant style, and, passing the favourite at the half-distance, won rather easily, while The Amazon, who also finished very fast, just beat the favourite out of second place. Kildean, who is a good stamp of colt, was bred at Bundoora Park, and is by Wallace from Meadow Queen (imp.), by Onslow from Emmeline, by Kisber.

The field for the St. Leger was the largest that has taken part in the classic race for some years past, the half-dozen acceptors sporting silk. On the strength of his defeat of Gladsome at Caulfield, Billingsgate was made a pronounced favourite, and only a shade of odds could be obtained against Bill of Portland's son at the close of business. Blinker, for whom 1650 guineas had been paid a couple of days previously, was marketable at 2 to 1 at first, but receded to 5 to 1, disputing second favouritism with the Sydney representative Lord Fitzroy, whom Payten sent out in good condition, while Munderah was next in request, Demas being the outsider of the party. The favourite was fractious at the barrier, but eventually they sailed away at little better than a canter, that pace being preserved past the judge's box, where Lord Fitzroy and Munderah were disputing the lead slightly in advance of Blinker and Roller; but as they turned into the river stretch Lord Fitzroy clapped on the pace, and at the mile post had opened up a gap of five lengths from Munderah, the others being clustered in his wake. As they raced along the back Blinker ranged up alongside Munderah, and at the abattoirs ran into second place, Demas acting as whipper-in, the field being well together. Still going well, Lord Fitzroy conducted his field into the straight, with Blinker and Munderah in hot pursuit, and at the distance the former got nearly level with Dr. Frazer's colt, while Munderah was just behind the pair, and Demas momentarily threatened danger on the outside. Fighting it out gamely, Lord Fitzroy held the lead until well inside the half distance, where Munderah shot through and won comfortably, leaving Blinker to beat the Sydney colt by a narrow margin for second honours. The favourite shaped most disappointingly, and, though he followed the placed horses, had nothing to say in the finish. Lord Fitzroy ran a good, game colt, and Blinker, who exhibited symptoms of soreness before the race, under the circumstances gave a good account of himself. In the early stage of the contest the pace was slow, the first couple of furlongs taking 32½s, the next four were covered in 55s, the following half-mile in 51s, the last section in 32½s, and the final six furlongs in 1m 17⅘s, the full time being 33s behind that registered by Scottish King last year. The winner was bred by Messrs. P. and W. Mitchell in the Albury district, and is by Malvolio from Grand Canary, by Splendour from Canary, by Lapidist from Rosalie, by Peter Wilkins from Rosemary (imp.), by Cornborough from Cornborough (imp.), by Stockwell. As a two-year-old he proved the best performer of the Mitchell team, and, although he successful once, viz., in the Stansmore Welter, 5f, with 8st 2lb, at the V.A.T.C. November meeting. He also ran second, with 7st 2lb, to Nak Our, 6st 12lb, in the Orrong Two-year-old, 6f, at the V.A.T.C. March meeting, and occupied a similar position, with 8st 7lb, in the Munich Two-year-old, 6f, won by Landgrab, at the same club's June meeting. Out of five starts this season Blinker's colt placed only one win to his credit, the Final Handicap, with 6st 10lb, at the V.R.C. Spring Meeting. He is engaged in the Australian Cup, to be run on Tuesday, in which he has been weighted at 7st 7lb, but he will now have to carry 8st, the conditions of the race providing that the winner of the St. Leger must put up weight-for-age.

During the toilet process the much fancied candidates for the Newmarket Handicap held large levees. Gladsome was in grand condition, and Abington looked none the worse for his recent battles. Medallist was bright and muscular, while Allsop turned out Mr. Foy's pair fit to run for a kingdom. Haloya also seemed in great heart, and taken by and large the field compared favourably with those of previous years. The overnight favourite, Gladsome, retained her position at the head of the quotations for some time after business opened in the paddock, but as the money came into the market for Abington, Medallist, and Playaway, the top weight eased a couple of points, but firmed again ere the close of operations, starting favourite. Medallist had a good demand, and from 8 to 1 hardened down to 5 to 1, easing a point towards the close. Playaway always held her place in the quotations, and hardened a point on her opening price, while her stable mate, Lord Ullin's Daughter, at expansive odds, had a fair number of admirers. Odds of 5 to 1 were taken about Abington at first, but he eased a point towards the end. When they lined up at the post Step Out, Sarto, Abington, and Gladsome were in extended order from the rails, Dangal, Bullion, Medallist, Playaway, and Lord Ullin's Daughter were in the centre division, with Canteen, Koopan, Troytown, and Strathleen forming the outer section. Very little time was cut to waste ere the score of contestants moved off in line, which was soon broken by Step Out, Abington, Haloya, and Dangal, but ere the first furlong was covered Abington was showing slightly in front from Sarto, Haloya, and Posco, with Step Out and Playaway showing prominently in their wake. Abington was still in charge at the half-mile post, and conducted his field to the course proper, where Sarto, Haloya, Playaway, and Posco were in hot pursuit. As they neared the distance Playaway threw out a bold challenge to Abington, whom she cut down in a few strides, while her stable mate, Lord Ullin's Daughter, who had commenced slowly, was coming through her field at a great bat. Medallist was in a good position, and going well, while Step Out on the outside was coming very fast. When the half distance was reached Lord Ullin's Daughter raced almost up to the leader's heels, but Carbine's daughter upheld the family reputation, and beat her stable companion by a length amid a scene of great excitement. Medallist ran a good horse, as did Step Out, but Gladsome failed ere the course proper was reached, and Abington had shot his bolt inside the distance, the pair finishing sixth and fifth respectively. The victory of Mr. Foy's mare elicited a great ovation, and the result bore out the owner's anticipation that his two representatives would be in front of the field at the end of the trip. The winner is an imported mare, by Carbine from Concertina, by St. Simon from Comic Song, by Petrarch from Frivolity, by Macaroni from Miss Agnes, by Birdcatcher. She opened her racing career auspiciously last year by winning the Futurity Stakes at the V.A.T.C. Autumn Meeting, and she subsequently started an even money favourite for the Newmarket Handicap, in which her weight was 7st 11lb, but the best she could do was to finish third to Mairn and Pendant. The following month she was heavily backed for the Doncaster Handicap, for which she started favourite, but repeated her Newmarket performance by carrying 7st 12lb into third place, behind Chere Amie and Contest. During the current season she started three times, but failed to catch the judge's eye till Saturday. Her stable mate, Lord Ullin's Daughter, was bred to English time by Mr. Foy, but she did not leave her native shores. She is by the wonderful Prince Charlie sire, Lochiel, from Farthingale, by Minting from Gale, by Galopin. She was not raced as a two-year-old, and did not lose her maiden qualification till this season, when she broke the ice by winning the Highweight Handicap at the Hawkesbury Spring Meeting. In December last she ran a dead heat with Lord Lovell in the Parramatta Mile at Rosehill, but did much better at the A.J.C. Summer Meeting, where with 8st 2lb she won the Christmas Handicap, and beat a fairly good field. Her next victory was achieved in the Anniversary Handicap, 1¼m, at the Sydney Turf Club's Meeting, where she finished in front of Panama, 7st 11lb, Loredano, 6st 12lb, and eight others. She followed up this success by appropriating the February Stakes, 6f, with 8st 4lb, at the Rosehill meeting a couple of weeks ago, when, although badly placed in the earlier part of the race, she simply romped over her field at the finish, the journey occupying 1m 15⅘s. She is in the Australian Cup with 7st 4lb. Medallist, the third horse, was bred by Mr. F. Reynolds at Tocal, in this State, and is by Medallion from Vera, by Kelpie from Blink Bonny, by The Barb. As a two-year-old he won a Trial Handicap with 7st 5lb at Mentone, and next year his only success was also achieved at Mentone, in a similar class of event, and with the same weight. As a four-year-old he failed to do anything of note, and was taken to Western Australia, where he developed form, and in quick succession won the Burbanks Handicap, 6f, with 7st 9lb, at the Coolgardie August Meeting, and the Flying Handicap, 5f, with 8st 11lb, and the Goldfields Newmarket Handicap, 6f, with 7st 9lb, at the Boulder Spring Meeting. He was then brought east, and gave some taste of his quality a couple of weeks ago by running Abington to a head in the Oakleigh Plate. The race was run at a solid pace all the way, and the time, which equals that registered by Cranbrook, has only been beaten by Amiable and Sir Foote. Playaway's victory was bad for the ring, as she had been well backed straight out since the appearance of the weights, and in doubles she has been coupled with almost everything in the Australian Cup.

The half-dozen acceptors for the Sires' Produce Stakes took the track, and the high-

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MARRIAGES.

DAWSON—POSTLETHWAITE.—January 21, 1905, at Christ Church, Mayfair, London, by the Revd. Herbert Rowsell, M.A., Charles Dawson, of Uckfield, Sussex, son of the late Hugh Dawson, Esq., St. Leonards on Sea, to Mrs. Helene Leonie Elizabeth Postlethwaite, late of 26 South-street, Park-lane, London, W.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS.

DEAN—CROWLEY.—March 5, 1855, at St. Andrew's, George-street, Sydney, by the late Rev. George King, Edward Dean, of Dover, Kent, England, to Catherine Crowley, of Bandon, co. Cork, Ireland. Home papers, please copy. Present address: 48 Station-street, Newtown.

DEATHS.

CADELL.—March 4, at Burwood, Christian, fourth daughter of the late James John Cadell, M.D., aged 58 years.

COLLIER.—March 2nd ,at her residence, 15 William-st., Redfern, Margaret, relict of the late Thomas Collier, J.P., of Waterloo, aged 64 years.

COLMAN.—March 3rd, at Tamworth, Lillian, the beloved wife of Horace Coleman, daughter of Mrs. W. F. May, Tempe, aged 27.

CRABBE.—March 4, at his residence, Chatswood, James Browne-Crabbe, M.B., Ch.M., Edinburgh.

GITTENS.—March 1, at 129 Bondi-road, Bondi, Mrs. Alice Lucy Gittens, the beloved sister of Mrs. M. Weston, Bondi, after long suffering. Thy will be done.

GOOSE.—March 5, at his residence, 116 Bridge-road, Glebe, William Goose, aged 57 years.

LEAPE.—March 5, at his late residence, 228 Bowling-st., off William-st, James Leape, formerly of Douglas Park, aged 73 years. R.I.P.

LINN.—March 4, 1905, at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Annie Bell Linn, eldest daughter of George and Millicent Parker, aged 18 years and 9 months.

MILNE.—March 5, at Moreton Cottage, Double Bay, Ethel Maude, third beloved daughter of James Duff and Rose Milne.

MOORE.—March 5, at Kilmarnock, Jersey-road, Woollahra, Mary Katherine, wife of Douglas Gifford Moore, and daughter of Warden and Mary Graves.

OLIFF.—March 3, at her residence, Kingstanley, Livingstone-road, Marrickville, Eliza Oliff. For ever with the Lord.

PRENDERGAST.—January 10, at Florence, Isabella, relict of the late Captain Prendergast, aged 75 years.

SCOTT.—March 4th, after a long and painful illness, James, beloved husband of Margaret Scott, of Cintra, Cacydon-st, Petersham, aged 60. By request, no flowers. No mourning. Private interment.

SYER.—March 4, at her residence, 341 Alfred-street, North Sydney, Sophia, relict of the late John Garnham Syer, aged 78 years. By request, no flowers.

WITTSCHIEBE.—March 3, at Bendigo, Jane, widow of the late F. A. Wittschiebe, and daughter of the late Evan Humphreys, Cwmgigfran, Talley, Carmarthenshire, Wales.

IN MEMORIAM.

ALLEN.—In sad and loving remembrance of my dear wife and our dearly beloved mother, Salome Williams Allen, who departed this life March 6, 1895. Inserted by her loving husband and family.

FAHEY.—In sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Anne Fahey, who departed this life at her residence, 223 Young-street, Annandale, March 6, 1902. Sweet Jesus, have mercy on her soul. R.I.P. Inserted by her loving husband, P. Fahey.

FINNEY.—In loving memory of our dear father, Jesse Finney, who passed away March 6th, 1904. Inserted by his loving sons and daughters, George, William, and Mrs. Whiteford.

GREEN.—In loving memory of Jonathan Cooper Green, who died March 5, 1904. Inserted by his loving wife and son, Harold Green, and step-children, Deborah Nelson and Caroline Lewis and C. H. Lyons. Deeply regretted.

NEWLANDS.—In loving remembrance of John Newlands, late Locomotive Inspector N.S.W. Government Railways, who departed this life suddenly, at his residence, Warkworth House, 28 Calder-road, Redfern, on March 5th, 1889, in his 49th year.

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Inserted by his loving wife, son, and daughters.

PICKERING.—In loving memory of my darling mother, died March 6, 1891. Never forgotten. Rachie Williams, Perth, W.A.

RIORDAN.—In loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life March 6, 1899. Inserted by her loving son, John F. R.I.P.

WHITE.—In fond and ever-loving memory of our dear and only son, George William, who fell asleep in Jesus, at his parents' residence, Tarana, Alice-street, Newtown, March 6th, 1896, aged 21 years.

Dearest George, thou hast left us
For the silent grave's embrace;
But thy memory we will cherish
Till we see thy heavenly face.

Inserted by his loving parents, William and Emma White.

RETURN THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. DAWSON desire to return their sincere and heartfelt THANKS to the many kind relatives and friends for their sympathy in sending letters, cards, telegrams, and floral tributes in their recent and bereavement, and particularly to Father Power (Sacred Heart), Father M'Nulty (St. Aloysius College) and Mrs. Madden for her kind and motherly attention.

Mr. and Mrs. G. CREERS, of Conlon-street, Rozelle, desire to return their sincere THANKS to the many relatives and kind friends for their sympathy in sending letters, cards, telegrams, and floral tributes in their recent sad bereavement.

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MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1905.

MR. REID'S PRONOUNCEMENT.

Mr. Reid's return to Sydney is made by him the occasion for a pronouncement of policy, which we report in another column this morning. Perhaps his statement is hardly definite enough to be dignified by that name, but at any rate there is the outline of a personal programme. In words which would have weight as coming from any Prime Minister, he solemnly warns the Commonwealth of the existence in its politics of an organisation which, as he says, is bent on overthrowing all the foundations on which our industrial system is based, and with them,as he believes, our national prosperity. The reference, of course, is to organised labour in politics, not, as Mr. Reid explains his meaning, to the whole working community, but to that section which is desperately fighting to entrench itself behind privilege and to deny to others the right to earn their own living without interference. We believe the Prime Minister is entirely right in associating our industrial system and national prosperity in this connection, and for the rest his statement embodies no new discovery. Mr. Reid has said as much before. Critics and well-wishers of Federal progress have uttered his warning again and again, and if the Comonwealth has made mistakes and disappointed federalists since it began its work the cause is to be identified in the undue influence exercised over Ministers by the desperately fighting organisation to which Mr. Reid refers. We may go even farther than this, and say that useful legislation and administration, which is perhaps of even more practical importance, are paralysed if not actively perverted by the same influence. To say that legislation is perverted would be a strong statement if we had not the example of the Arbitration Act before us, but it is almost invidious to single out an isolated instance when Commonwealth and State legislation is full of unfortunate examples. The special value of Mr. Reid's statement this morning is that he recognises the situation, and that he declares his willingness to combat it.

But is that enough? Does it amount to the lead which both Commonwealth and State have been waiting for? Do we, at this juncture, feel satisfied with a mere comment on the situation, and admission of the menace to our industrial and national prosperity? There can be but one answer to this in all earnest minds really bent on the aims which we sum up under the general designation of reform. A mere declaration of intention is not sufficient. In this State we have already had an illustration of what that means. Before the last general election, when the rising tide of the reform movement attracted all sorts of political flotsam and jetsam, we had the same warnings and the same promises. But when the victory was won, and the reformers were securely seated in office, it was found that much of this promise fizzled out in disappointment. We have been left lamenting by Mr. Carruthers, and in the absence of a definite programme we are frankly doubtful of the same fortune at the hands of Mr. Reid. He says we are going down into the depths of socialistic chaos, or, which is the same thing, that we may so succumb if an endeavour is not made to stop that tendency. He says we are in a position of grave political danger, echoing in that remark the warning which has been given so often already in our columns. Yet it happens oddly enough that in individualising certain concrete results of the influence he denounces, such as the Postal and the Immigration Restriction Acts, he confesses his inability as Prime Minister to control the situation,or to modify or amend the objectionable features of these measures.

What the country wants to know is, not whether the Prime Minister concedes what everyone else recognises but what he is going to do about it. We may admit, with him, that his majority in the Federal Parliament is not enough to give him a free hand. But are we as electors of the Commonwealth to rest content with that? We believe that Mr. Reid will experience a great deal of difficulty in getting the Commonwealth, and particularly the people of this State, to do anything of the sort. We do not want Mr. Reid to court that unnecessary martyrdom which he deprecates, and which is so foreign to his political and personal bent. But we do want definite and positive leadership. If the condition of parties is such as to make that difficult in the Federal Parliament, the reason is the greater why we should seek it in the constituencies. To put a plain question to the Prime Minister—what, it may be asked, is he doing to organise the forces to which he appeals in opposition to the vast organisation he mentions? Is he waiting on Providence, or afraid to more actively antagonise the Labour party in politics, or waiting for a lead from the people? To the lastnamed, he may take it that the public dissatisfaction with his pronouncement this morning as well as with the prevalence of the state of things he describes is a sufficient lead in itself. As a practical politician he cannot expect public opinion to point the way and act as leader as well. That is an office which we expect our representative politicians to fill, and the Prime Minister most of all. Mr. Reid in contradicting the rumours that he would take a salaried Federal office announced that he had political work to do, and he now says that he is determined to devote the best of his remaining faculties and energies to a fair and square and honest fight with the organisation he denounces. These are brave words, and so are those embodying his praises of political freedom and equality. But what practical-minded people want to know is something definite as to how to do this, and exactly what lead the Government is prepared to give. Organisation is necessary above everything else. The tactics of an aggressive but numerically small section must be met by counter tactics so long as they are honourable. But we must get to work at once, and not merely talk about it. This is what the country wants. An awakened and intelligent public opinion clamours for it. The necessity for effective leadership is self-evident to all earnest men's minds. The ground has been prepared, public opinion is ripening, the measure of socialistic experiment is nearly full. Will the right man be found ready to assume the function and responsibility of leadership at the psychological moment ?

DARKEST AFRICA.

Charges of the most serious nature are being made against the treatment of natives by officials in French Congo. We have all heard enough, and more than enough, of the crimes committed under King Leopold's rule in the Congo Free State, and the feeble and inconsequent denials have merely had the effect of convincing people that the Belgians treat the natives with a barbarity which smacks of the Middle Ages. The fiendish cruelty with which King Leopold's officers permitted themselves to treat the natives has been attested by incontrovertible evidence, and we have still to learn that anybody has been punished for the wholesale mutilation and murder of helpless human beings. So far, however, there has been nothing but assertion in the matter of the alleged atrocities in French Congo. We are told that a negro under sentence of death was dynamited for sport; that in another case the head of a decapitated native was made into food for his fellows; that a woman was punished for her faithfulness by being baked alive; and, as in this morning's cables, that a tribe, 2000 strong, had been massacred with the connivance of the authorities. Not one of these charges has yet been proved, and possibly we should not have heard of any of them if it had not been for the care which the French Republic takes to vindicate its reputation, and to punish, if necessary, those who have cast a stain upon it. King Leopold's Government contents itself with a bare denial of the charges made against the conduct of its officers in the Free State; France has directed an investigation into the condition and administration of the French Congo.

The aborigines who are in the way of the resistless white races suffer many things as the price of the introduction of civilisation. History is full of instances, and no good object would be served by detailing them. Generally, however, one sees that the conquering race brushes away all too rudely the savage opposition of the natives, and that it learns savagery from its very victims. In Asia we have the Chinamen of the debateable ground the sport of the nearest white force; in America, there has been a belated attempt to conserve the interests of the Indians by reservations and so forth; in Africa the heroic measure was used in former days of deporting the natives to be bond slaves to whites in other countries; and now, this outlet being barred, we have tales of officials on the spot ill-treating their human beasts of burden. We in Australia do not pretend that our system has been marked with humanity all through, and only the other day there was published a report which tended to show that our aborigines were vilely used in a part of the continent. Happily this reproach does not now extend to all Australia, and, generally speaking, we may claim that our State Governments do more for the aborigines than is done in other parts of the world. The natives have something more than a right to live, and officials who presume on their weakness deserve severe punishment. It may be expected that, if any of the allegations made against French officials in the Congo are proved, an example will be made of the criminals which will have a stringently deterrent effect on their contemporaries, and on those who will come after them.

LIVING BEYOND OUR INCOME.

Despite ante-election protestations the cause of reform proceeds in this State with sluggish steps. While the woeful extravagance of the previous Administration has been modified, this is only in degree. And it might almost be suggested that a difficulty in obtaining the wherewithal rather than a righteous desire for economy has alone been responsible for the slight improvement noticeable. The drunkard's enforced abstinence when his pockets are empty illustrates the case.

We find on comparing the statements of revenue and expenditure issued some days ago that during the first eight months of the current financial year the expenditure on the Consolidated Revenue account was £310,642 in excess of the receipts. On Loan account there was expended during the first seven months of the year £580,378 more than had been received. Then in the eighth month the figures suddenly appeared to change, and instead of being £580,378 on the wrong side of the ledger, the account became £521,775 on the right side. But how was this miraculous transformation wrought? Further inspection shows that the Government Savings Bank took up £1,000,000 worth of Funded Stock last month. This discovery induces further search, and we are rewarded by the information that since June 30, the opening of the financial year, the Government has increased its indebtedness under the trust account by £439,289, on the special deposit account by £63,971, and on the special trust account by £74,612, or a total on all three accounts of £577,872.

The benefits accruing from the utilisation of these trust funds by the State have already been fully discussed. One obvious drawback is that a spendthrift Government is enabled to borrow by a side-wind, as it were, and divert local capital from more profitable channels. It is clear that much harm has already been done, in this State, by the anxiety of the Treasury to swamp up every shilling of local accumulations. At a time like the present capitalists made nervous by interfering legislation are only too glad to withhold their money from the initiation of new enterprises or the expansion of old. The readiness of the State to take their accumulations at 4 per cent. per annum prompts them to persist in their non-progressive policy. Were this repository not available to them they would have perforce either to leave their money at fixed deposit in the banks at a reduced rate of interest or use it in other directions to the benefit of the State as a whole. Not that capitalists can be blamed for withholding their money at a time when they are hampered at every turn, but it hardly seems to be good policy for the State to encourage them in their non-progressive tactics. Rather we should think the Government should use its utmost endeavour to rehabilitate confidence by living strictly within its income. If month after month, as the financial year runs its course, we were accustomed to learn from the "Government Gazette" dealing with the finances that the income on Consolidated Revenue and Loan accounts was constantly in excess of the expenditure, let the excess be ever so small, then it would not be long before a restoration of confidence would set in. That restoration will be the first sign of returning prosperity.

Mr. Reid and the Capital Site.—Mr. G. H. Reid is indignant at a statement which has been circulated in some of the States that when in Tasmania he postponed discussing the Federal capital question with Mr. Carruthers because he wanted to go on a fishing excursion. He stated on Saturday that the story is quite groundless, for the only reason that he did not discuss the matter with Mr. Carruthers was that the latter was incessantly occupied either at the Federal Conference or at the State Premiers' Conference. It was, therefore, mutually arranged that the question should be taken up later, when the conditions would permit of a full consideration. For himself he added that it was absurd to suppose that he thought so little of the question of the capital site as to thrust it aside for a fishing trip. He and Mr. Carruthers will confer upon that and other matters during the next few days.

Government Water Conservation Scheme.—It appears from a statement made by the Minister for Works on Saturday that the Government does not intend to countenance any proposal that private enterprise should be given power to conserve the waters of the Murrumbidgee River for irrigation purposes. This conclusion is arrived at owing to Mr. Lee stating that soon after Parliament meets it is the intention of the Government to submit a comprehensive scheme of water conservation, inclusive of the national work known as the Barren Jack reservoir. For some time past a number of surveyors has been making contour surveys of the country north and south of the Murrumbidgee River, on its westerly flow past Yanko to Hay. These surveys will indicate the country that can be irrigated by gravitation from weirs erected across the river at or near Narrandera. Gaugings of the flow of the river have been taken for a considerable time, so that the officers of the Public Works Department are in possession of data as to the amount of water that will be available for irrigation, without impeding the summer flow of the stream. Of course, the construction of the Barren Jack reservoir is the key to the problem of how to provide a maximum amount of water for irrigation purposes at a time of the year when the Murrumbidgee is almost a chain of water-holes. The Barren Jack reservoir, the engineers of the Public Works Department point out, would conserve such a vast volume of winter flood water that now runs to the sea in South Australian territory, that it would serve to keep up a constant supply for irrigation during the summer months, and still permit of a better summer flow than is the case at present.

Cataract Dam.—Mr. Stuart Murray, the Victorian Engineer-in-Chief for Water Supply, has arrived from Melbourne to conduct an inquiry into controversial matters raised in connection with the reliability of the gaugings of the Cataract River. He will be associated in the inquiry with Mr. E. M. de Burgh, engineer of the Public Works Department, and Mr. Smith, an engineer of the Water and Sewerage Board. The committee was busily engaged on Saturday collecting evidence relating to the manner in which the gaugings of the Cataract River were taken. It is understood they will visit the catchment area at once to make a careful survey of the country. With regard to the alleged pollution of the catchment area by the workmen's camp, and the demand of the Water and Sewerage Board that the camp be shifted to another site, the Minister for Works stated on Saturday that before he came to any conclusion on the matter he would wait the report of Dr. Ashburton Thompson. He expected to receive it early next week, and hoped to be able by Thursday or Friday to decide whether or not the camp should be shifted.

Closer Settlement Experiment.—It is a matter of extreme gratification to Ministers to learn that numerous inquiries for blocks of land in the Myall Creek Estate are being made by South Australian farmers. The Minister for Lands states that those South Australian farmers who have taken up land on the privately subdivided Bannockburn property, near the Myall Creek Estate, are the right stamp of men to make a success of land cultivation. They are going about the work of cultivation in a practical and thorough manner, which is clear evidence to the Minister that the experience gained by them in working poorer soil with a smaller rainfall in South Australia is certain to yield them good results in the Inverell district. It is learned that the numerous inquiries for land on the Myall Creek Estate by South Australian farmers has been largely caused by the fact that most of the purchasers on the Bannockburn property come from South Australia. The work of surveying the State property, in accordance with the design approved by the Closer Settlement Board, is proceeding at a rapid rate. It is expected that in a week or two the work will be completed. Plans of the subdivision will then be prepared in the Lands Department, and exhibited for the guidance of intending applicants for blocks. No time will be lost in enabling the successful applicants to get on to the land in time to erect the necessary fences and to plough and sow a portion at least of the land this season. If only 20 per cent. of the estate is brought under cultivation this season the result will be, under favourable circumstances, a yield of wheat next year worth at least £12,000.

Entrance to Newcastle Harbour.—It will be good news to the commerical community in general, and to underwriters in particular, to learn that the efforts of the Government engineers to minimise the danger to vessels, especially sailing ships, entering or leaving the port of Newcastle are being attended with a considerable amount of success. Commenting on the sinking on Thursday of the hulk Katoomba, so as to assist in preventing the sand being scoured away as the northern breakwater is extended, and also to deepen the entrance channel, the Minister for Works remarked:—"The last report received by me from the advisory board of engineers who are carrying out this work is of a very satisfactory character. The experiment of sinking hulks in order to facilitate the construction of the northern breakwater, and also to concentrate the flow of the tide so as to cause a scour that will deepen the water on the bar, has more than met the expectations of the engineers. It has distinctly caused a change in the current, has minimised the northern inflow of sand that caused so much trouble in the past. It has also produced a mid-channel scour that must end to prevent sand being deposited on the bar. At present there is one little gap existing between the bows of the Katoomba and the wrecked ship Regent Murray. The engineers have arranged to fill up the gap by sinking a couple of old punts. These will complete an effectual block to the inflow of sand from the north. When this is completed we shall then be able to form some idea of what will be the condition of things when the northern breakwater is finished, as recommended by Sir John Coode. The experiment of sinking the hulks has, indeed, proved a very inexpensive yet satisfactory one. We may now look forward with confidence to the time when the port of Newcastle will be perfectly safe to enter in all kinds of weather." The members of the advisory board who recommended the adoption of the plan that has been carried out are extremely well pleased at the results attained.

Nyngan Water Supply Troubles.—Situated in an arid portion of the State, the township of Nyngan has twice experienced a water famine during two years, and the position of affairs at the present moment is by no means reassuring. This difficulty was on Saturday brought under the notice of the Minister for Works (Mr. Lee) by Mr. M'Donell, M.L.A., and Alderman Field (Mayor of Nyngan), who strongly urged the Government to come to the assistance of the townspeople. It transpired that the water supply is obtained from the Bogan River. Above the dam in which the water is impounded are some gardens cultivated by Chinese. They obtained from the Public Works Department a license to pump water into their gardens, with the result that the town supply was seriously endangered. After certain law proceedings had ensued between the municipal council and the Chinese, the former agreed to the Chinese being allowed to pump water to a certain depth. It was now found that the dam had silted up to such an extent that its capacity was greatly reduced. It was therefore asked that this should be removed. It was estimated that 25,000 yards of silt would have to be shifted, and it was stated this could be done for 7d or 8d a cubic yard. The Minister for Works remarked that the question was whether the municipality would be able to meet the cost of improving the water supply of the township. The Mayor assured the Minister that the residents would be prepared to do so. The Minister said that under those circumstances he would be prepared to spend anything up to £1000 in making the supply effective. It would be necessary, however, to send an officer to Nyngan to confer with the council on the matter, and furnish a report to the department before a definite proposal was adopted.

The Plague.—In view of the fact that the operations of the rat-catchers employed by the Board of Health in the North Coast districts have failed to find a plague-infected rodent during the last 10 days, the size of the staff has been reduced. No fresh developments have occurred for some weeks past in the direction of human infection. The patients under treatment in the Grafton Hospital have been discharged cured. Though there is every reason to believe that the board has got the mastery of the outbreak, arrangements are going forward to establish at Ulmarra a temporary plague hospital to meet any future emergency. Dr. Millard, Government Medical Officer, who has had charge of the work of stamping out the plague at Ulmarra, visited Sydney on Saturday, and personally reported to Dr. Ashburton Thompson the exact position of affairs. Later on in the day Dr. Millard returned to the North Coast district for the purpose of completing certain investigations which the president of the Board of Health deem necessary in the interest of the public safety.

Agricultural Implements for China.—The pushful American manufacturer was one of the first to take advantage of the construction of the trans-Baikal railway line, and the consequent opening up of Siberia by the agriculturist and dairy farmer, to bring under the notice of the Russian people the qualities of the machinery turned out by the United States factories. So great has been the success attendant on the efforts of the American manufacturer, that, according to the descriptions given by travellers who have passed through Siberia, American machinery is seen on all hands, to the almost complete exclusion of the manufactures of other countries. A recent report by the United States Consul at Hang-Chow clearly shows that the Americans are closely watching for the time when the awakening of the East will afford a good opportunity for supplying modern machinery to countries still steeped in mediaevalism, so far as agricultural development is concerned. In the course of his report, the United States Consul remarks that whilst there will be little demand for agricultural machinery in China for a long time to come, excepting in Manchuria and Northern China, it is probable that modern agricultural and garden implements will soon be welcomed, when there will be a wide field for enterprise in this direction. At present the native tools are such as have been in use for centuries. Chinese farmers are commencing to consider foreign ideas and methods, hence there will soon be a breaking up of present methods and a turning to new tools.

Diseased Fruit.—Mr. Froggatt, the Government Entomologist, in a conference with the executive committee of the Fruitgrowers' Association at Parramatta on Saturday, made a statement which has equally as much interest for the general public as for orchardists. He declared that "in the shops at the present time there were lots of fruit sold which was detrimental to the public health." That is a statement worthy of serious consideration. Mr. Froggatt added that it was a matter for the Board of Health to deal with. The Government intends to introduce a bill dealing with fruit pests, but the officials intimate that the proposed legislation is to be of a mild character, and it is understood that its administration will be mainly a charge on the general public.

Protection for Fruitgrowers.—A report is to be forwarded to the Tariff Commission by the Fruitgrowers' Union of New South Wales advocating protection against the products of Italy and America. It is stated that the local production of citrus fruits is sufficient for the whole Commonwealth; but Italy has to a large extent captured the trade in lemons, and America is also exploiting the local market. Furthermore, the Italians have practically obtained possession of the retail trade. The fruitgrowers (according to the report) are quite prepared to accept interstate freetrade with protection against the world, but they claim that they have not received a fair amount of protection. They wish the 2s per cental duty raised to 1d per lb.

Prohibition Movement.—On Saturday night a prohibition party was formed at a meeting at the School of Arts. Entirely non sectarian, the leaders anticipate that it is the commencement of a strenuous war against the manufacture, importation, or sale of intoxicants "for beverage purposes," and the results of the movement in New Zealand were referred to as a forecast of what is expected by the party to take place here. Public control of the liquor traffic finds no place in the favour of the new party, and compensation to owners of hotels is to be opposed. The speakers at the meeting promised that things are going to be said and done that will astonish the people. The conduct of officeholders is to be investigated as regards their connection with anything that has to do with liquor, and a course was outlined by one adherent of the movement that indicated that a close and searching investigation will be instituted should the party adopt the methods advocated. The party places intoxicating liquor as the mother of all evil, and it is to be war to the knife. The objects of the new organisation are:—(1) To maintain the right of the people to veto by majority-vote any or all liquor licenses, and to organise in connection therewith such public agitation and action as may be found necessary to accomplish the end aimed at; (2) to promote and support every measure which the party considers would be an instalment in the direction of the complete overthrow of the traffic in intoxicants; (3) to resist all proposals for State of municipal management of public-houses, and all claims for compensation, either money or time, for the non-renewal of any liquor-selling license from any cause whatever; (4) To oppose the candidature and election to Parliament, municipal council, or other elective positions, men who are interested in or favourable to the perpetuation of the liquor traffic in the community; (5) To secure and support for all public elective offices only those candidates of approved integrity who are in sympathy with, and who will assist in carrying out the party's policy.

Unionist, But Not Socialist.—At Hoskins Limited employees' picnic on Saturday, Mr. G. Hoskins, who has just returned from a tour of the world, said that 11 years ago when he travelled he found the name of Australia good to use. Now, owing to the socialistic tendencies of Labour legislation in the Commonwealth, it was better to say that one came from any other country than Australia. If he were obliged to undertake manual labour again, he would be a unionist, but not a socialist. The socialistic fads of men whose brains were no thicker than water, unfortunately appealed to certain labourers who did not bother to think out the action of politics upon the practical affairs of a country for themselves. It was noticeable that the men who uttered arrant socialistic nonsense in and out of Parliament did no work themselves. They were afraid of work. When he began his business as an engineer he worked sometimes for more than a day and night without sleep for the love of his work, but it was a rare thing to find men doing this willingly now-a-days. The nonsense of socialism that was being crammed into the workers in this State was bringing its own punishment. Capital was required to begin large enterprises, but it would not be employed unless Australia altered her political methods.

Boot Manufacturers' Association. — For some time past the members of the Boot Manufacturers' Association have discussed the manner in which the Factories and Shops Act operates, especially so far as it relates to the bootmaking trade. It is considered that in certain directions the regulations, or, at all events, the departmental reading of the regulations, unduly interfere with the industry, and, therefore, are not in the interests either of the employers or employees. In response to a letter from the secretary of the association, the Minister for Labour, Mr. B. R. O'Connor, will, at 11 a.m. to-day, receive a deputation on the subject.

Old Church Foundation.—The old Congregational Church at Mosman, the foundation stone of which was laid on October 18, 1879, has recently been demolished, to make room for a structure more suited to the present requirements. A number of documents and some printed matter were discovered beneath the foundation. A copy of the "Sydney Morning Herald," of October 18, 1879, a copy of the "New South Wales Independent," of October 15, 1879, and a ticket for the steamer Lilian Denham, then plying between Milson's Point, Circular Quay, and Mosman, were found. There was also discovered a written document, stating that Divine service and Sabbath school was first opened in that part of St. Leonards district on September 18, 1877, by the Rev. J. F. Cullen, M.A., in a room at Buena Vista House, lent for the occasion by Mr. R. H. Harnett, who presented the site for the new church. The architect of the old building was Mr. S. H. Thompson, and the contractor Mr. Alfred Ayles. According to the document, the building committee consisted of Messrs. W. P. (now Dr.) Cullen, J. J. Slade, and the Rev. J. F. Cullen (pastor of the church).

University Naval and Military Training.—Mr. J. W. M'Cay, the Minister for Defence, has a scheme to provide for instruction in military science, tactics, and drill at the universities and training colleges of Australia. The proposals may be summarised as follows:—(a) That the States shall agree to the establishment in each capital of classes for military education; (b) that qualifying in this branch of instruction shall be compulsory on all male students attending at these institutions; (c) that practical training shall form part of the course. The Minister considers that it may also be possible to give military engineering and naval or army medical instruction in universities with engineering and medical schools. He is also impressed with a suggestion to give naval instruction in suitable localities. A special instructor might be found necessary in each capital city; he would receive help in the technical branches by expert officers of the defence force. The cost, it is added, should not exceed £5000 a year.

State Schools' Syllabus.—Speaking at the newly erected Vincentian School at Ashfield yesterday Dr. Donovan, K.C., said that anyone who had presumed some time ago to find fault with the State system of education, had been looked upon as an educational heretic, but now two experts, whose lengthy and elaborate reports had been published, had affirmed that the system was wrong from end to end. In the new syllabus issued a month or two ago plasticine modelling and ambidextral drawing had been two leading features, and the teachers began to instruct in them. Then the teachers blundered. They bought the wrong stuff for modelling, and the fathers of the children objected. They did not want their sons to be Michael Angelos, but the department did not heed them. When, however, the women complained that they did not want their daughters turned into female Raphaels the department succumbed and gracefully retired from its syllabus. The subjects were now made optional, and a new edition of the syllabus, with "explanatory marginal notes," had been issued. The fact was that the system forced teachers and inspectors to keep along grooves, and did not give them sufficient scope. Neither the natural ability of the teachers to deal with certain subjects nor the natural aptitude of the children was considered. The inspectors had been given a freer hand, and while some ran towards aestheticism, others went in for rigid disciplinary methods, while others urged teachers to allow children more freedom, and permit them to adopt "conversational attitudes." The children had no difficulty in accomplishing the last-named feat. The learned gentleman also spoke against an attempt of certain ministers to get the departmental regulations altered so as to allow teachers to preach on Sundays. He said that Mr. O'Conor had sheltered himself behind the late Mr. Bridges in this matter, and not returned a definite answer to the ministers yet.

Commercial Conundrums.—At the Chamber of Commerce, during the distribution of the certificates and medals to the candidates from the various schools who were successful in the December examinations, there were some strange answers to questions mentioned in the report. One boy, as the examiner put it, had evidently the instincts for a successful promoter of mining companies—of the wild-cat species—when he stated that "an alluvial deposit was what you put the gold into before you wash it." Some of the boys described starch, as well as glue, as the juice of a tree, and three or four alleged that glue was made from gum. "Perhaps the least satisfactory of the answers," said the examiner, "were given in connection with eminent men." Only two candidates knew of Newcomen, while one would hardly recognise William Paterson, the founder of the Bank of England scheme, as "an Australian poet nicknamed Banjo," or that "The Man from Snowy River" was a work particularly of commercial or industrial interest. The questions as to the German-Australian trade brought out a tendency to put down as exports to Germany nearly everything that Australia produces.

The San Francisco Service.—The R.M.S. Sonoma, of the Oceanic S.S. Company's A. and A. line, will be despatched from the company's wharf on the eastern side of the Circular Quay, at 1 p.m. to-day, for San Francisco, via Auckland, Samoa, and Honolulu. Although it is early in the season for passengers to choose this route homeward, the Sonoma has a large number of tourists proceeding to England. Most of them have arranged for plans to reach England during May and June, and in the interim intend spending the time in the United States, visiting the principal cities, and such attractions as the Grand Canon of Arizona, the Rocky Mountains, Yosemite Valley, and other pleasure resorts of Southern California. Other travellers passing through the United States generally take in Niagara Falls en route, as one of the sights of the world. The cargo by the mail steamer consists of large lines of flour, timber, skins, gluepieces, onions, tin, and other colonial products.

The Canadian Mail Line.—The R.M.S. Moana, of the Canadian-Australian line, according to a cable message received by the Union S.S. Company of New Zealand, left Vancouver on Friday last, and is due at Sydney on the 27th inst. She will call on the way south at Honolulu, Fiji, and Brisbane. The Moana has a good passenger list and a large cargo of Canadian and American merchandise.

Naval News.—H.M.S. Penguin, which has been employed for some time past in surveying work along the coast of New Zealand, returned to Sydney yesterday to prepare for her homeward journey. Our Adelaide correspondent telegraphed last night:—"The gunboat Protector leaves on Monday for Sydney, where she will spend two months as training ship for the New South Wales Naval Brigade. Captain Clare will be in charge, and the South Australian permanent naval staff are going with the vessel."

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

On Saturday morning the Governor-General inspected at

GREAT BATTLE IN PROGRESS.

ENORMOUS NUMBERS ENGAGED.

RUSSIANS STEADILY PUSHED NORTHWARD.

JAPANESE CONVERGING FROM BOTH FLANKS.

COMBATANTS' HEAVY LOSSES.

A great battle, having a front as the crow flies of 45 miles, is being fought between the Sha-ho and Mukden by 650,000 men, the Japanese being in superior numbers to the extent of 50,000.

The Russians have lost important positions on the Sha-ho and in the Ta-ling Mountains, on the east, and are being steadily pushed back on their bases. On both sides the fighting has been of a most desperate character. General Kuropatkin reports that the Japanese losses have been enormous, while amongst the Russian cavalry alone our telegrams indicate that General Rennenkampf's division has been almost annihilated.

The Russians are retreating on Tie-ling, as Mukden is in danger of isolation.

DESPERATE FIGHTING.

HAND TO HAND CONFLICTS.

JAPANESE SWEEPING ONWARD.

LONDON, March 3.

General Kuroki occupies part of the first line of the Russian defences on the hills of the Sha-ho.

There has been a series of fresh and desperate engagements all along the line.

A Russian official report states that the vigorous attacks by the Japanese upon Putiloff were repulsed, and that the Japanese lost heavily.

Four Japanese divisions turning the Russian right wing on the Liao reached Da-win-pu, 11½ miles west of Mukden. The advance was then checked.

March 4.

A battle, which is described as the greatest in the history of the world, is proceeding before Mukden. It is estimated that the Japanese, to the number of 350,000 and Russians numbering 300,000 are engaged.

The Japanese left (west) is 12 miles south-west of Mukden, and their right is near Ta-ma-gu-shan, 15 miles south-east of Fu-shun, and 30 miles due east of Mukden

CAPTURE OF PASSES.

General Kuroki's force whose base is at Penn-si-ho, on the Tai-tze River, captured positions on the eastern heights of Kau-tu-ling, 25 miles due north, and Chanhan. A strong counter attack, made by the Russians at night in the direction of the Sha-ho, was repulsed.

General Kuropatkin reports that the Russian detachment at Kudiaza, 15 miles southward of Fu-shun, on Thursday repulsed a Japanese attack, inflicting enormous losses. A Japanese company was annihilated.

DESPERATE BAYONET CHARGES.

General Oku, on the Japanese left, sent a detachment to reconnoitre outposts 500 yards north of Apatai. The trenches were captured after a desperate bayonet charge against superior numbers. General Oku's casualties on the night of March 1 and the morning of March 2 were 2000 killed and wounded. The losses of the Russians were heavier.

The Russians have been expelled from Chang-tan, near the Hun-ho, below its junction with the Sha-ho, and from Sufang-tai, north-west of Chang-tan.

CAVALRY ANNIHILATED.

General Oku on Wednesday opened a terrific bombardment with 100 enormous guns, greatly damaging the Russian defences and the villages on both sides of the railway. The Russians were unable to reply.

A private telegram from Harbin, received at St. Petersburg, states that the Japanese on Thursday recaptured Putiloff (Lonely Tree Hill), south of the Sha-ho, and Novogorod Hill, after a terrific bombardment with 11-inch mortars. General Rennenkampf's cavalry division was almost annihilated.

The Russians, the telegram continued, abandoned all positions on the Hun-ho in order to escape being surrounded.

ENCIRCLING MOVEMENT.

Later.

The converging and encircling movement with both flanks conducted by the Japanese, with their great numerical superiority, is everywhere succeeding, and is assuming a more decisive character along the whole front. General Kuropatkin's whole army is being forced back upon its bases.

The opinion at St. Petersburg is frankly pessimistic. General Oku has occupied nine miles of Russian positions on the right bank of the Hun-ho. He captured Changtan and the neighbouring villages on Wednesday after desperate bayonet charges.

RUSSIANS RETREATING.

General Kuroki succeeded in crossing the Sha-ho, despite a desperate resistance, by means of night marches, and gained great successes. He occupied on Thursday the Russians' first line of triple defences on the hills beyond the river.

Reports received at St. Petersburg imply that Mukden is completely isolated, and that the Russians are retreating on Tieling, 40 miles northward. The reports also state that there is a breakdown on the railway.

March 5.

Japanese officials report that the Russians in the direction of Sing-kin (Shiu-King, 80 miles east of Mukden), attempted several counter attacks, but they were all repulsed. Engagements are now proceeding at Penn-si-hu and on the Sha-ho, and are developing favourably. A quantity of provisions and forage was captured in the raid made by the Japanese on Sin-min-ting, 25 miles west of Mukden.

REPORTED JAPANESE REPULSE.

General Kuropatkin admits that the Japanese carried the Russian entrenchments in front of the Kau-tu-ling, and the heights in the centre of the position and on the left flank, but that a counter attack dislodged the Japanese.

A later telegram from General Kuropatkin states that the commander at Jansi-tun, in the Kau-do-li-san region, reports that 20 Japanese battalions attacked his left flank, but were repulsed, leaving masses of corpses on the ground. The enemy made parapets of the dead bodies of their comrades. Three attacks on Kautu-ling were repulsed after the Japanese gained within 200 paces of the trenches.

JAPANESE WAR LOAN.

The domestic issue in Japan of £30,000,000 of the war loan was covered twice.

The Imperial Household took £500,000, and the Associated Bankers £6,000,000.

CABLES TO THE CONSUL.

RUSSIAN POSITIONS CAPTURED.

A COUNTER ATTACK REPULSED.

The following cable was received on Saturday from Tokio by Mr. K. Iwasati, Acting Consul-General for Japan:—

"On the 2nd inst. our detachment in the direction of Penn-si-ho captured the enemy's position near Chang-kon, and also a position on the heights north of Koo-tai-lin.

"The enemy in the direction of the Sha-ho made a strong counter attack on the district extending from Chen-chieh-pao to the Hun-ho, but was repulsed. The enemy at Chang-ton and Wu-fan-tai was also dispersed."

The following cable was received yesterday afternoon by Mr. K. Iwasaki from Baron Komura:—

"The enemy confronting our detachment in the direction of Sin-king, about 80 miles east of Mukden, attempted several counter attacks, but all were repulsed. In the direction of Penn-si-ho our detachment pushed the enemy back to his main line of defence, and an engagement is now proceeding.

"In the direction of the Sha-ho engagements in some places are also proceeding, and developing favourably.

"On the 1st instant our detachment dispersed the enemy at Ta-min-tan and Sin-min-tun, and captured a quantity of the enemy's provisions and forage at Sin-min-tun."

COMMENTS ON THE SITUATION.

Eleven days and nights "the greatest battle in the history of the world" has raged. Officially there is no claim to victory on the part of the Japanese; unofficially there are reports that General Kuropatkin and his army have suffered another defeat. There are also facts tending to the same conclusion. It is believed that 650,000 men have been engaged in the gigantic struggle. The casualties may number 100,000; may reach 120,000. Earlier estimates may take us beyond even the latter colossal total. So huge are these figures that the mind is hardly capable of grasping the fact that they deal with human lives and sufferings. We may take it that even with tremendous armies 12 days' fighting would have brought about a situation definitely indicating defeat or success. The result is no longer hanging in the balance, and numerous details conspire to make one ponder whether Kuropatkin is not trifling in his reports instead of broadly conceding that the fortune of war is against him. The Japanese appear to be steadily pressing back the enemy over the immense area of country which makes up the battlefield. The extent of territory is favourable to a successful retreat. A Sedan is extremely unlikely under such conditions. If it were possible to take a bird's eye view of the blood drenched country about Mukden it would be found to take in the ancient capital, towns, villages, mountains, valleys, forests, rivers, and a great extent of plain. The fighting in the early stages of the struggle was at least 30 miles south-east of Mukden. The Japanese tactics involved them in a raid 40 miles west of Mukden; in an easterly direction Kuroki had flanking detachments 80 miles from the walls of the city. The front proper was 50 to 60 miles. West of the railway line Oku was on the plains; east of it Kuroki was in the mountains. Of Oku's army alone can it be said that its operations were confined to flat country. Nodzu's army, between Kuroki and Oku, extended from the plains into the mountains, where his right was in touch with Kuroki's left.

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There has been a steady, consistent pressure, and we are told "the whole Russian army is being forced back upon its bases." St. Petersburg conveys dark news—the breakdown of the railway, consequently the isolation of Mukden; secondly, the retirement to Tie-ling, about 40 miles north of the capital. It is the battle of Sha-ho over again, with intensified issues. The loss of Mukden was not concerned in October last. For reasons which are intimately associated with the impression upon the Chinese mind, it was necessary that Oyama should occupy the city, and after this later success the occupation may be reported before long. There is pessimism in St. Petersburg. The Czar is throwing out a glittering bribe to the masses at the eleventh hour, but the feeling is nevertheless one of despair. No encouragement can come from either Berlin or Paris. The Teuton fire-eaters have been as sadly out of it in their belief in Russia's success after 1904 as the gallant race which is feeling restless under its alliance with the Slav. Russia's humiliation is enough to soften any national hatred, as well as make her friendship disturbing.

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South of Mukden the Japanese Generalissimo directed the battle, receiving messages by telephone from all parts of the battle-area. History has repeated itself in his laconic messages to the world. When success was assured at Sha-ho in October Oyama sent the message to Tokio, "Our attack developing favourably in all quarters." A similar report comes now. The Japanese advance is described as "a converging and encircling movement." The Russians until Thursday last held Putiloff Hill, south of the Sha-ho. In any event the pressure of the Russian wings would have caused the early abandonment of that position. On Kuroki's wing there are two important roads, or rather tracks, one from Ben-tsia-pu-tsia to Mukden, and the other from Ben-tsia-pu-tsia to Fu-shun. The Slav is apparently tenaciously holding both. The danger that threatened Kuropatkin was that the fierce attack on his right (Kaulbars) by General Oku would force the centre to move north-east instead of north to strike the Hun-Ho, in its upper reaches about Fu-shun. Demoralisation in retreat would occasion a division of forces with disastrous results. It is very easy, however, to picture how ideal grand tactics might have cut up a Russian army. The success of the Japanese, so far, during the battle has brought no surprises. The Slav has lost important positions, but Liao-yang and Sha-ho showed how effective is the Russian soldier when at bay. The wonderful fighting ability of the Japanese soldier had not, up to the point reached by our cables, resulted in a success for the enveloping movement, but the Russian has again been out-fought in many quarters and pressed back. Confidence may be placed in Oyama's message, and soon may come the tollsome march of the Russians to Tie-ling—one more stage on the dismal road to Harbin.

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Both Japanese and Russians must be in a condition approaching physical exhaustion. That there have been great valour and desperation on both sides cannot be questioned. In about 12 hours General Oku suffered 2000 casualties. It was a supreme effort on Wednesday night and Thursday morning last, and firmly established him on the Russian side of the Hun-ho. Meanwhile General Kuroki had fought his way across the upper reaches of the Sha-ho. Nodzu, having contented himself with holding the enemy in check until the success of Kuroki and Oku was assured, advanced. But of his part in the battle we have heard little. Indeed, we are entirely dependent for the report of the Russian retreat upon unofficial sources, but the positions secured by Oku and Kuroki would appear to make inevitable the abandonment of Mukden. Thrilling episodes are reported in regard to Oku's and Kuroki's advance. In the latter instance the combat at Kao-tu-ling was especially fierce, the Japanese, it is said, making parapets of dead bodies. It is difficult to reconcile the report of the fighting as far south as Penn-si-hu with other statements respecting Kuroki's progress, but with an immense area broken up into rough valleys, it is not well to affect surprise at engagements blazing out where least expected. Rennenkampf's Cossacks suffered greatly in this region. The Slav is making a determined stand at the last, but we are inclined to believe that the leap of Oku to the Russian trenches on the right bank of the Hun—an advance achieved at heavy cost—must have caused misgivings regarding the centre (Bildering). Officially, the battle is in progress, but the signs are emphatically favourable to the Japanese.

FISCAL ISSUE.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S APPEAL.

STIFFENING WANTED.

LONDON, March 5.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, in addressing the Executive Committee of the Imperial Tariff Reform League on Saturday, appealed to Unionists to stiffen their backs and eschew a half-hearted fiscal policy which was responsible for their defeats at by-elections. His conviction in the ultimate success of tariff reform was stronger than ever.

BY-ELECTIONS.

APPELBY.

LONDON, March 4.

At a by-election for the representation of Appelby in the House of Commons, yesterday, Mr. Leif Jones (Liberal) was elected by a majority of 220 over Mr. Noble (Conservative), the polling being:—

Mr. Leif Jones (Liberal) .. 2922
Mr. Noble (Conservative) .. 2702

[In the case of Appelby the Liberals retain the seat, though their majority is lessened. The figures at the general election were: Mr. Richard Rigg, jun. (Liberal), 2835; Sir Joseph Savory, Bart. (Conservative), 2256. At the last general election the constituency was a Liberal gain.]

A LIBERAL GAIN.

Mr. N. Lamont (Liberal) was elected today to represent Buteshire in the House of Commons, by a majority of 34 votes over Mr. E. T. Salvesen, Solicitor-General for Scotland. The polling was:—

Mr. N. Lamont (Liberal) .. 1460
Mr. E. T. Salvesen (Conservative) 1426

[The election for Buteshire was necessary owing to the elevation of Mr. Graham Murray, the Secretary of State for Scotland, to the Bench. The polling has resulted in a Liberal minority of 195 being turned into a majority of 34. The figures at the general election were: Mr. Graham Murray, 1241; Mr. N. Lamond, 1046.]

CONGO ATROCITIES.

TRIBE OF 2000 MASSACRED.

LONDON, March 3.

M. de Brazza has been appointed head of a mission to investigate the administration and condition of the French Congo.

The "Temps" publishes further details of atrocities in the Congo Free State, and states that a tribe of 2000 natives sent to gather indiarubber was massacred by the connivance of the authorities.

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY.

LONDON, March 4.

The Government has approved of a private bill introduced into the House of Commons bringing the foreign shipowner within the law regarding the detention of a ship when a workman is injured. The bill, on Friday, was read the second time.

ANTWERP WOOL SALES.

LONDON, March 4.

The Antwerp wool sales closed yesterday, confirming the features of Thursday's sales. Prices were irregular, showing a decline of from 5 centimes for fine qualities to 15 centimes for the commoner cross breds. Out of 3001 bales of La Plata wool 1332 were sold.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, March 3.

In connection with the recent "lazy" strike of railway employees in Italy, trains were stopped, "so that the employees might remove the dust and rust from them, and examine the locks and also the seals of luggage."

The German newspapers have not published an adequate account of the findings of the Doggerbank Outrage Commission, but they reluctantly admit that the result is satisfactory to Great Britain.

March 4.

Mr. J. R. Garfield, chief of the Bureau of Corporations in the United States Department of Industry and Commerce, in a report on the beef industry, states that the packers' companies are not over-capitalised. Their profit was only 2 per cent. upon their gross capital when prices were highest in 1902. Some packers are losing money.

A COBAR SENSATION.

MAN SHOOTS HIS FATHER-IN-LAW.

ESCAPE OF ASSAILANT.

COBAR, Sunday.

Last night a man named Fred. Horne shot his father-in-law, J. Donnelly, in the abdomen and the hand with a revolver. Donnelly was taken to the hospital, where he was attended by Drs. Robinson and Letcher. Horne fled into the bush, and up to a late hour had not been found. Donnelly is not expected to recover. He would not give any reason whatever as to what caused Horne to shoot him. Horne was only married a few months ago. He threatened to shoot Donnelly on three previous occasions.

If you want to BORROW MONEY go to N.S.W. Mont de Piete Co., Ltd., Capital £100,000. 74 Castlereagh-st, 74. Eustace Bennett, general manager.—Advt.

SECOND EDITION

JAPANESE VICTORY.

RUSSIAN DIVISIONS DEFEATED.

GREAT SLAUGHTER.

LONDON, March 5, 4.10 p.m.

The Japanese have obtained a signal victory across the Hun-ho. Two divisions of the Russian army have been defeated in detail with great slaughter.

Huge quantities of ammunition have been captured.

Other advices state that a Russian division which was trying to regain Mukden, and another division trying to reinforce the city, were driven by the Japanese to Tie-ling, 40 miles northward, with great loss.

RUSSIA.

BUREAUCRATS TRIUMPH.

NEED OF WAR.

REVOLT TO BE ERADICATED.

PROMISE OF A LEGISLATURE.

LONDON, March 4.

The manifesto issued by the Czar undoing his directions for the carrying out of reforms describes the war with the Japanese as urgently necessary for the consolidation and peaceful prosperity of Russia and other Christian nations. It recognises the strain on Russian resources, and contrasts the heroism of the soldiers in the Far East with the blind pride and insolence of evil-minded revolutionaries who are assailing the pillars of the State. The death of the Grand Duke Sergius, the Czar proclaims, was a shock to every patriot.

The manifesto appeals to all authorities to rally round the throne, overcome the stubborn foreign foe, and eradicate the revolt at home, and hopes that the period of tranquillity which will follow will realise the aim of strengthening the prosperity and perfecting the administration of the State.

Reuter's correspondent at St. Petersburg explains that the Czar's manifesto implies that the Ministers who are elaborating a scheme for a National Assembly have fallen into disfavour, and that the Grand Ducal party and the maintainers of absolutism have secured the Czar's ear.

A LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

CZAR'S SPECIAL RESCRIPT.

A special Rescript has been addressed by the Czar to M. Bulguine, the Minister for the Interior. In it his Imperial Majesty acknowledges the congratulations of the nobles, zemstvos, and the nation on the birth of an heir to the throne, and announces the Czar's resolve, with the help of God, to convene a meeting of the people's elected representatives to participate in the elaboration and consideration of legislative measures while preserving the immutability of the fundamental laws of the Empire.

The "Times" states that the appearance of this Rescript, which creates a Legislative Assembly, after a general strike has been announced, has been received with amazement, incredibility, and enthusiasm.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that the Rescript is vague in terms, and that little importance is attached to it.

GENERAL STRIKE INEVITABLE.

The ultimatum of the Russian strikers, particulars of which were cabled on the 2nd inst., has been rejected by the authorities. A general strike is regarded as inevitable.

Strikes have been ordered on the Moscow and Vilna railways, thus isolating St. Petersburg.

There are 120,000 strikers out from works at St. Petersburg.

A quarter of a million colliers in the Donetz coal field, South-eastern Russia, have struck, and have seized a dynamite depot.

[The ultimatum arose in this way. A fortnight ago the Czar appointed a commission, with Senator Chidlovski as president, to ascertain the causes of the workmen's discontent at St. Petersburg, and to devise remedies. Two hundred and fifty workmen who were selected to choose on Friday 50 representatives of the factories of St. Petersburg to sit on the commission met, and resolved to refuse to elect representatives unless 3000 workmen arrested since January 22 are released, and the inviolability of the person and domicile guaranteed during the sitting of the concessions, with liberty of speech and publicity.]

THE ORIZABA WRECK.

PILOTING OF MAIL STEAMERS.

PERTH (W.A.), Saturday.

At a meeting of the Fremantle Harbour Trust on Friday the matter of the wreck of the steamer Orizaba came under consideration. In answer to questions put by the chairman, Captain Irvine, Chief Harbour Master, said that it was customary for the Orient Company to give notice that a pilot was not required outside Rottnest. If he had not received notice on the day in question he would have sent out a pilot-boat. It would not be advisable in heavy weather to send the boat away from the usual pilot grounds, and out of touch of the signalling station. If a boat were so sent she would be absolutely useless to any boat coming on in her true course. Sometime ago, when the pilot boats went outside Rottnest, the captain would pass it by with a wave of the hand. One of the commanders had stated that it was dangerous for ships to stop between Kingston's Spit and the mainland to take up pilots, and he (Captain Irvine) had been told verbally by captains of some of the mail boats that they did not require the pilots outside. He, however, had refused to accept verbal instructions, and since then the company had served him with written instructions on arrival of each ship. It was decided that in future incoming mail steamers should be met and boarded on the boarding grounds off Thompson Bay, and that the companies should be so advised in spite of the written instructions received from the Orient Company.

BUSH FIRES' RELIEF.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND.

Contributions to the fund to date are as under:—

	£	s	d
Amount previously acknowledged	29582	3	11
W. C. M'Clelland	5	0	0
John Gibson	3	3	0
J. A. Coglan	2	2	0
Walter Bethel	0	10	6
W. H. Patterson	0	10	6
S. Fotheringham	0	7	6
J. G. Cohen	0	7	6
C. J. Callaghor	0	5	0
J. de C. Armstrong	0	2	6
W. J. Hogworth	0	2	6
A. S. Maddocks	0	2	6
A. B. Bailey	0	2	6
T. H. Neely	0	2	6
J. B. Hagarty	0	2	6
R. Hannan	0	2	6
W. P. Browne	0	1	6
Total	£9565	8	11

WAGGA, Saturday.

On behalf of the Wagga committee of the Bush Fires Fund, Messrs. W. J. Blake and T. C. Halloran yesterday visited Tarcutto, and distributed £700 amongst the sufferers in the Tarcutta and Humula districts.

WET WEATHER
often proves the commencement of coughs and colds. The children should eat constantly ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOTS.—Advt.

MR. REID IN SYDNEY.

GREAT DEMOCRATIC FIGHT.

CHAOS MUST BE AVERTED.

"POSITION OF GRAVE POLITICAL DANGER."

DEFERENCE TO DIPLOMACY.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

WAS THE CONFERENCE CONSTITUTIONAL?

FREE DISCUSSION WITHOUT PLEDGES.

Mr. G. H. Reid, Commonwealth Premier, returned to Sydney on Saturday, and intends to take up permanent residence here, subject, of course, to the inexorable demands of Federal duties. He made a statement to our representative on some important topics of public interest. The general situation being touched upon, Mr. Reid threw some light upon an aspect of Ministerial policy which has come in for considerable criticism, namely, the abstention of the Government from abolishing the most objectionable features of the laws regarding coloured labour on mail steamers and the contract clause of the Immigration Restriction Act. He said:—

"I have noticed in some of the papers a desire to mark out a political course for me which would enable me to achieve a glorious shipwreck in endeavouring to remove at once the clause in the Postal Act which I strongly differ from, and to modify the contract clause in the Immigration Restriction Act, which I also strongly differ from in its present state. But I must really take leave, as the responsible leader of the anti-socialistic party, to endeavour to avoid useless martyrdom and chaos, especially in view of the fact that I consider I have devolving upon me at the present time a responsibility which far transcends all such considerations.

"I consider that the people of Australia are at the present moment in a position of grave political danger. There is a vast organisation, full of enthusiasm, single-minded in political action, whose members do not fight amongst themselves over even the fiscal question, which is bent upon overthrowing, as soon as possible, all the foundations upon which our industrial system, and, I believe, our national prosperity, are based. My grave duty at the present time is, it seems to me, to endeavour to prevent Australia going down into the depths of socialistic chaos. I look upon that as a matter of vast and growing consequence, not only to the people to-day, but to the people for all time, and I am determined to devote the best of my remaining faculties and energies to a fair and square and honest fight with this great organisation. It has, I believe, sunk below the level of patriotism and the national well-being, and is aiming far more at personal aggrandisement—I do not mean of the politicians, but the personal aggrandisement of a class, and that class not the whole working community, but a section which has been desperately fighting to entrench itself behind privilege of the worst kind, because it challenged the right of other labourers and other industrials to earn their own living under conditions of freedom and equality.

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY.

"These are the greatest blessings—I mean this freedom and that equality; these are not only the greatest blessings which a community can enjoy, but they lie at the very heart of real happiness and progress and contentment. Of course, the socialists say, 'Oh, our Government is that of equality.' Yes, it is a sort of equality of the Government gang, not the equality of human opportunity and human right to develop its faculties to the greatest possible advantage and in the largest measure of personal independence."

THE ETHICS OF CONFERENCES.

As to whether the Federal Government acted in derogation of its responsibilities in meeting the State Premiers in conference, Mr. Reid made the following remarks:—"I believe there was a communication in the Sydney press from my hon. friend Mr. Bruce Smith, M.P., throwing doubts upon the correctness of the course taken by the Federal Ministry in connection with the Hobart conference. I have seen references which give me a general idea of the view taken by Mr. Smith. With every possible respect to him, I am quite at a loss to follow him in the view which he seems to take, unless that view is founded upon some misconception of the facts. If Mr. Smith has any idea that the Federal Ministry went down to Hobart to confer with the State Premiers in order to formulate a Federal policy on matters of purely Federal concern, there would be a great deal of room for criticism. But the Federal Ministry has no such idea. The conference was one which I think even Mr. Bruce Smith himself will see, when the facts are fully known, in no sense departed from the proper groove. It is well known, for instance, that the Federal Constitution hands over certain departments to the Commonwealth which are still carried on in the States. Such departments relate to shipping, navigation, quarantine, census and statistics, and other matters. We did not submit to the conference whether we should take these services over or not, which would be a question of Federal policy, but we informed the conference that we had decided to take them over, and pointed out that in the interests of public convenience it would be well that we should exercise our power in consultation with them. It was, we thought, very greatly to the public convenience that we should take these departments over, not by a mere stroke of the pen, without considering, for instance, various improvements in the Federal law which State experience could suggest to us. That is not my way of doing business, and we therefore asked the State Governments to give us the fullest information and freely suggest to us any improvements which their experience had suggested when we propose to legislate, for I think legislative measures will be, whether necessary or not, at least expedient in connection with most, if not all, of these departments. The Premiers met us in the same spirit. Whilst as to some of the departments they did not quite agree with us, they expressed a perfect readiness to help us to make the transfer as conveniently and with as little friction as possible.

"I do not want to take up time by going over all the other subjects, but the report will show very clearly that at no time during the whole conference did we forget the clear line to be drawn between Federal policy and State interference or direction. I will take only one of the other questions, the important one of helping on the agricultural interests, and make the resources of Australia better known throughout the world. Those are questions in which the State has an undoubted right and the Federation has an undoubted right to work independently, and neither by any power it can exercise can take over the whole of the duties connected with such matters, because they are partly Federal and partly State. Surely it was of great importance that in connection with these powers, the Commonwealth should endeavour to bring themselves into the fullest sympathy and harmony with the State Governments.

PROPOSED IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

"It is too late in the day to question either the wisdom or the propriety of such conferences. There have been too many similar ones for that. I need not trouble your readers with precedents—there are so many—but just let me mention one proposal which is exciting so much interest throughout the world, though it has not yet taken place—that is, the conference suggested by Mr. Balfour to deal with questions of interest common to the Imperial Government and Parliament and the Governments and Parliaments of other parts of the Empire. When that conference meets it will be asked to discuss a wide range of subjects of very large importance, involving not only great political issues, but perhaps serious money responsibilities. Who would say that such a conference would be an improper meeting, or that it would break in upon any sound rules of constitutional government? Of course in such a conference as I allude to there is no pretence of settling anything finally. I admit any attempt to meet together in such a conference in order to settle things behind the back of Parliament would be grossly unconstitutional, but in the Hobart conference, just as in the others it is always clearly understood that even the respective Governments are not bound—that certainly the Parliaments are not bound—and that everything is subject to approval and ratification. The Hobart conference is in no different position from that of all other conferences of the kind in this respect."

OLD-AGE PENSIONS.

Mr. Reid referred with regret to the failure of the Hobart conference to come to an arrangement for a Federal scheme of old-age pensions. He pointed out that as New South Wales and Victoria had a system already, very much more than half the population of Australia was provided for. "Under the Braddon clause," Mr. Reid said, "it is impossible to carry out a Federal scheme of pensions without the consent of the States. But with consent of all the States, the Braddon clause would be no obstacle at all. There is nothing to prevent the people of the States whose Governments are not willing to fall into line exercising their power in order to compel their Governments to meet the Federal Government in the matter, when a national scheme could at once be established in spite of the Braddon clause. As a matter of fact, at the conference Western Australia fell into line with New South Wales and Victoria, but Queensland, South Australia, and Tasmania did not. Now, I hope the people of these three States will compel their rulers to change their minds. I cannot believe that when the people realise the obstacle and where it is that it will not be removed.

"Then there is a way of dealing with this matter by special Customs duties on articles of general use, such as tea and kerosene. There is one great advantage about such a proposal—if the scheme cannot be reasonably carried out without it—that, as has been stated, such duties are emphatically from the class who are most likely to want old-age pensions, and no one could then cast into the teeth of these aged people the taunt that they are paupers. That scheme also depends on the consent of the States, because without such consent three-quarters of the tea duties would have to be returned to the States. It is only, therefore, a question of converting the three States of Queensland, South Australia, and Tasmania, to bring about an early adoption of this beneficial proposal. Then again, if the general scheme cannot be brought in soon, there is nothing to prevent the people of Queensland, South Australia, or Tasmania separately forcing on the old-age pension system for their States individually, and every State which establishes the system brings the solution on a national basis nearer."

MAILS TROUBLE.

MR. REID'S STATEMENT.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MUDDLE.

DEFENCE OF THE GOVERNMENT POSITION.

Speaking on the mail contract troubles, on Saturday, Mr. Reid said:—"There is no one in the community who more regrets the present state of things than I do. But I cannot help thinking that the difficulty in the way, which is simply the extra £40,000 or £50,000 which the Orient Company now asks for, is not of our making. The Orient Company used to carry these mails on a fortnightly contract, and got out of them something considerably under £100,000. The trouble arises from the fact that now, instead of being willing to take what they used to get, they will not even take a sum which is considerably more than they used to get. When it is stated, 'Oh, the company is not paying,' it must be remembered that that was the fact during the whole 30 years or so that the company has been running to Australia. It has never been paying. Therefore, it is not this new phase which has made the line a non-paying one; that was a chronic condition when they were royal mail contractors. Then the general manager in Australia told the head of the Labour Government that the compulsory white labour provision was not a serious item of increased cost to the company at all; that, in fact, it was not a financial trouble. If the line never paid, and is not paying now, surely it is not because they used to have a mail contract? They practically come to us and say, 'Our company is not a paying one, and therefore we want £140,000 for carrying your mails.' If they trade on the line at all, surely £100,000 is a fair payment for the space given for the conveyance of mails. And the time contract is not one of those high rates of speed which would involve enormous expense. The average rate of speed is not at all beyond what any first-class steamship line, such as the Orient Company is, would be expected to attain if it was used for a mail service at all.

"We are open to deal with anyone, at the shortest possible notice, who will make us a reasonable Offer. If we were to shut our eyes and accept the terms offered by the Orient Company of £140,000, or if they came down to £130,000 or to £120,000, I believe the Government would have no prospect whatever of getting the contract ratified by Parliament. I do not wish, however, to put our action on that ground at all, because we do not think they ought to get more than £100,000. We think that the maximum which the Commonwealth ought to pay. I have heard some statements to the effect that there is something like £250,000 lost in exchange by the present dislocated service. If that is a fact, which I doubt, I fancy the mercantile community will get over it some way or other. It would be very easy to help the Orient Company to tender for £100,000. The difference is only £40,000, and if there is anything in these figures the payment of £40,000 to the Orient Company would save £250,000. I cannot think the figures are sound. If they are the financial and mercantile community will take some very practical way of helping us to solve the difficulty or solve it for themselves."

THE ORONTES' MAILS.

The following notification was yesterday posted at the G.P.O.:—"The mail bag which usually contains a few newspapers for the naval authorities, shipped by the Orontes from London with parcel mails on January 27 last, together with two bags from Colombo, and two bags from India, will probably reach Sydney on Wednesday, 8th inst. The parcel mails will reach Sydney by the steamer on Friday, March 10."

VICTORIA.

BANK MANAGER'S CONFESSION.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY AS A SERVANT.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

At the City Court on Friday Hugh O'Brien, manager of the Maffra branch of the Commercial Bank of Australasia, who, on the previous evening, volunteered a confession that he had been misappropriating the bank's moneys, was presented on a charge of larceny as a servant of the sum of £167. The police applied for a remand for one week, which was granted.

MORTALITY ON A VOYAGE.

The barque Miranda arrived on Friday night from Rio Janeiro, her master reporting that there was sickness amongst the crew, and that four deaths had occurred. Three of these, it was believed, were due to beri beri, and the other to senile decay. The chairman of the Board of Public Health, Dr. Norris, states that the sickness which resulted in three deaths during the voyage proved to be merely beri beri.

SUIT AGAINST GEORGE HACKENSCHMIDT.

In connection with the suit instituted by Henry Groth against George Hackenschmidt for the recovery of £500 damages, an application was made to Mr. Justice Holroyd for a writ of capias to prevent the defendant leaving Australia without giving security for the satisfaction of the claim. It was stated on behalf of the defendant that he was leaving by the Sonoma on Monday to fulfil an engagement in America and Europe, and that his address would be well known, and that there was not the least likelihood of the plaintiff's claim being defeated by the defendant's absence. Mr. Justice Holroyd declined to grant the writ asked for.

PARKINA-FOLDESY COMPANY.

The Parkina-Foldesy Concert Company gave the first of its Melbourne series in the Town Hall on Saturday night, and achieved an immediate and emphatic success. There was a large audience, and the enthusiasm aroused by the first number on the programme grew steadily in intensity as the evening wore on.

LABOUR IN POLITICS.

XI.

THE OBJECTIVE OF LABOUR.

The general aim which political labour sets before it has incidentally been made pretty clear in preceding articles, and not much need be added by way of formal statement. It cannot be said that there has been any clearly marked evolution of labour platforms closely corresponding with the growth of some great and dominating ideal. The interests and the desires of political labour are indeed both too narrow to make such an evolution likely. And yet some clearly marked distinctions are to be noted between the programmes of a dozen years ago and those of to-day. The influence sought to be exerted then was mainly industrial; now it is mainly political. The first State platform, for instance, is marked by the demand for "labour" legislation in the restricted sense. An eight-hour day, a Factory Act, an Employers' Liability Act, the stamping of Chinese furniture, the amendment of various laws affecting the relation of employer to employee—these are the things that bulk largely. On the other hand we find the seeds of later demands—an extension of the principle of the Government as an employer of labour; the inalienable right of the whole community to the land; and so forth. Still these 16 planks among them contain much less political matter than the six planks of the present State fighting platform. There is a certain grim significance in this. Labour went into politics avowedly to obtain certain measures of industrial "justice." The progress of democratic feeling granted these things; was, indeed, ready to grant them almost before "labour" appeared in the top-hat of the legislator. Its occupation was then strictly speaking, gone. But in the meantime the labour politician had found a profession very much to his taste. It was perhaps only natural that such men should make work for themselves, and invent artificial excuses for the continuance of a crusade which enlightened opinion had unkindly presented with the ostensible objects of its ambition. If we look at the present State fighting platform, therefore, we shall be astonished to find that it contains no plank that can be claimed by the "labour" class as its exclusive possession, or as to which labour can claim a special class interest. The party would indeed seem to be bankrupt of purposes which it can avow. We have no need here to concern ourselves with the merits or demerits of this platform. The obvious point is that the questions it raises are those that appeal to and have to be dealt with by the democracy as a whole. Economic government may be given a peculiar meaning which we should be very sorry to endorse; closer settlement may come in some mysterious way to spell State bank; but these things with free education, local government, and cessation of borrowing, might find a place in the programme of any political party—most of them would find a place in the programme of a democratic party. Yet they have no imaginable bearing on "labour" as such. Even progressive land value taxes, though they may be economically foolish, are advocated by all sorts of people who have no connection with labour. It is a very curious comment on the genuineness of the "industrial unrest" that the Labour party could seemingly find no matter relating to industry to include in its fighting programme.

THE REAL ISSUES.

To get at the real issues we have to look behind all this. We have to examine the legislation that labour influence has procured, and more especially do we have to examine the use to which that legislation is being put. When we do that the first thing that becomes evident is that the Labour party most certainly does not exist for the sake of labour. Very largely it clearly exists for Labour politicians. And beyond them it exists for the straightest sect of the unionists. It is well we should understand clearly why this is so. The reason seems to be that these unions at the beginning turned themselves into political associations for industrial ends. They breathed the breath of life into Labour politicians. Now the Labour member, politically speaking, lives on the union. Without it he sees very clearly he would cease to exist. Hence all his skill is directed to consolidate the union vote in his favour. To these ends an industrial agitation must be incessantly provoked. So far as the writer can see there seems to be no general idea at the back of the movement now but this selfish one. The extraordinary thing is that the majority of unionists, who are often intelligent men, should allow themselves to be exploited in this way; and that unorganised labour, which outnumbers unionists about eight to one, should be blind enough to believe that political labour is fighting its battles. To this end unionism is made the be-all and the end-all here, for whose sake we are even expected to "jump the life to come." It is endeavoured to make unionism virtually compulsory; for even if all the workers could be ringed in it is well known that the dominant and hard-throated minority that stands next to the Labour member, and hopes one day to supplant him, will easily lead the voiceless majority by a little clever play on labour prejudices. Here precisely we have the source of compulsory arbitration, preference, and the common rule; and the same appeal to ignorant prejudice underlies attempts to dictate a minimum wage—not shared in, of course, by 50 per cent. of the unionists themselves— to prohibit "contract" labour, which is interpreted to mean slamming the door in the face of the British workman, and to bleach the ocean white. The utter absence of anything like a reasoned theory at the back of action comes out well in those attempts in the direction of making the State the chief employer of labour at which we have glanced. In the abstract this is an arguable proposition. It may be utterly bad and foolish, but still

its mere socialism begs the main questions of social evolution. It is a socialism without doctrines, a religion without a prophet, and a faith without a future.

THE PERSONNEL OF LABOUR.

This hollowness of the political philosophy of labour has a strong light thrown upon it from another direction. Politics with us have become a profession: not a learned profession, or one that demands any certificate of ability to practise without obvious detriment to the patients' health—but still, a profession. This we owe to long sittings and payment of members, and this it is that indirectly is responsible for the extraordinary over-legislating from which we suffer. Even the lawyer or the commercial man who enters Parliament and stays there gradually learns to leave his legitimate interests behind. But with the labour politician there is usually not even a pretence of "lawful visible means" outside the honorarium which in law is not a wage. It would be worth while for the worker who gives his vote to contrast the position of such men who have not done manual work for years, or perhaps have never done a day's work with tools of trade, with his own. This is the man whose leading is preventing from work the honest mechanic and tradesman intent on providing for old age and on rearing a family that shall be a credit to himself and to the community. But the special point we wish to make in reference to the personnel of labour politics is this: If political labour were a genuine democratic movement it would demand first of all wise leadership. It would know that if its good was really bound up in the good of all (if the good of all was what it aimed at) it needed more than anything else the best brains, the clearest intellects, the widest knowledge at its head. And if it meant what it professes to mean it would look for such guidance and follow democratic leadership wherever it was to be found. But the narrowness of the unionist outlook, its selfishness, and its class prejudice is nowhere plainer than in this, that it is part of its deliberate objective that only labour should represent labour. We can reduce that further. It means that only unionists shall represent unions. We can reduce it further still. It means that only the arrogant, vocal, demagogue minority in the union shall supply the representation. No policy would be blinder; none more surely fatal. But there it is. At the start the thing was unintelligible. In the stress of industrial suffering, which was the fruit of the evil tree of borrowing, we can understand that Labour should look solely to its ranks. Nor had it had time to learn that the baton in the marshaller's knapsack does not make the marshal. That was enough to explain why Labour entered politics with a personnel from which neither wisdom nor knowledge could fairly be expected; which could only hope to look to the narrowest class interests, and to gain its ends by the most obvious means. Of that first party hardly a member had had any education; most had worked since the age of 10 or 12. Miners, seamen, shearers, or preferably the quite unskilled labourer, were the elements that were to go to the social reconstruction. We still find in the State Parliament six miners, three shearers, two engine-drivers, one saddler, one bookbinder, one plasterer, one boilermaker, one upholsterer, one compositor, and one labourer. These occupations are, of course, no discredit to the politician, though the sentence cannot always be reversed. They are only quoted to drive the point home that Labour insists on being led from the ranks. The same thing was led from the ranks. The same thing was led from the ranks. The same thing was strongly evidenced by each of the Federal elections; in Queensland, indeed, it has become an obsession. Now, what follows applies to everyone who aspires to represent a constituency, whether he is a Labour candidate or not. Legislation is at once the most complex science and the most difficult art in the world. The incompetent doctor can only kill a few patients, the incompetent lawyer can only ruin a few clients; but the incompetent politician may involve, and actually has involved, the whole continent in disaster. If law and medicine or industry require special skill and special training it does seem strange that political portfolios may be thrown at the first-comer in the certain hope that he will evolve wisdom from his inner consciousness. Not that though none of us have perhaps yet risen to a recognition of the responsibility of knowledge in politics, only Labour has openly preferred darkness to light. In making the Labour-born politician a part of its set creed, at the same time announcing its determination to capture if it can the whole business of government, Labour sets before it an object which is fraught with the worst possible menace to political life.

THE SUCCESS OF LABOUR.

The kind of success, therefore, that labour gets before it ought to give pause to us all; especially ought it to demand a keen scrutiny from those who are inclined to monopolise the term "workers"—as though the business man and the professional man, to say nothing of the unhappy journalist, did not work! That success clearly is to be secured by a close organisation in which the labour member and the union "lawyers" are to work hand in hand for each other's benefit. Many of the unions are "run," of course, by a paid secretary, an embryo "member," and a little clique of notoriety-hunters that surrounds him. This closeness of organisation must be pushed out, both into Parliament and into the constituencies. In Parliament its fruit must be a slavish obedience to the caucus pledge; in the constituencies it must mean taking representation from the electors and giving it to the little clique aforesaid. Are trade unions political organisations? It seems they scarcely claim to be anything else. The old union was at least a benefit society. The new union has no "benefits" for anyone. The old union at least secured employment for its members. The new union does its best by "minimum wage" and "common rule" demands to block out of employment all but the select few of its members who happen to be the "fit" for the moment. The old unions were social confraternities. The members of the new unions visit the Trades Hall—to pay arrears. If unionism is not a political club to knock liberty and industry on the head, it would seem to be nothing at all. What kind of success then can we aim at? Only that aberrant success which is the tribute of ignorance to the exploiters of its prejudice. The pathway of labour is a straight and narrow way, built on a morass of class bitterness, paved with caucus votes and leaving no room for a step to right or left for individual judgment or individual initiative. Outside the political arena it gains the success of the limbs that starved the belly; which can see hope for itself only in the harassing of others; which seriously expects to attain prosperity by limiting the opportunities of production; and which is content to destroy the future of its children for, metaphorically an extra mug of beer to-day.

SAFE BREAKING.

THE ENFIELD POST-OFFICE ROBBED.

When the Enfield post-office was opened on Saturday morning it was found that the place had been entered during the night, and the safe had disappeared. The intruders gained access to the room where the safe had stood by simply opening the door of the building with a key. As the safe was not a heavy one, it was carried out and the door was again carefully locked. Later it was discovered that it had been taken into St. Thomas's churchyard, which is not far from the post-office, and there the back was forced off, after which the robbers decamped with their gains—£13 2s 9d in cash, £23 11s 10d in postal notes, and £29 3s 7d in postage stamps; total £65 18s 2d.

During the forenoon two men were arrested by the police. They were, however, taken into custody in connection with other matters.

GULF OF VENICE UNDAMAGED.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

The steamer Gulf of Venice, which struck a reef on the voyage from Manila, was subjected to a thorough overhaul at Townsville and found to be absolutely staunch and seaworthy. The temperature of the cooling chambers is being reduced in order that the vessel may commence loading her cargo of frozen meat on Monday.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

WALKING-STICKS CASES.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The central Customs Department has received from Inspector Donohue, of Sydney, a report concerning the prosecution of Lascars from one of the Orient Company's boats, who were charged before the Water Police Court with smuggling walking-sticks and selling them in Sydney. It stated that officers doing patrol duty brought under the inspector's notice some time ago the fact that the Orient Company's Lascars were selling walking-sticks on Circular Quay and in town, and that after effecting the sale they would return to the vessel and obtain another stick, and would then repeat the process. Mr. Donohue himself remained two or three evenings and satisfied himself that what the officers said was quite correct, and that the practice would have to be stopped. The goods, he continued, were quite new, and were of various designs. One stick was a combination of pen, pencil, and ink-bottle, and when screwed up was a walking cane. In many cases the goods were offered to officers who were in plain clothes. On December 17 last one of the coloured crew of the steamer Omrah was prosecuted before the Customs Court of Inquiry for landing one of the same kind of sticks and a quantity of tobacco. He offered the stick to a Customs officer soon after leaving the wharf, and asked 2s for it. When he was searched tobacco was found concealed on him.

NEXT SESSION'S LEGISLATION.

The Prime Minister said on Friday that the principal business in that day's Cabinet was the questions to be dealt with next session. Most of the headings under which these questions come were referred to at the Hobart conference, and comprised agriculture, immigration, navigation and shipping pilots, lights and lightships, marine quarantine, copyrights and trade marks, weights and measures, and hall-marking of jewellery. With regard to the last question, inquiries are to be set afoot to ascertain whether it can be done at a reasonable cost. In England the usual charge is 17s per oz of gold, and inquiries are being made as to whether it can be done here for 10s. With regard to quarantine, it is desired to ascertain the exact position of the dividing line betwen the Federal and State action, and whether the Federal Government should undertake the quarantine of animal and vegetable imports. As to pilots, the question to be settled is whether the federation shall merely take over the sea pilotage, or whether it shall include river pilots as well. So with regard to other subjects of legislation, inquiries are to be made.

DIVISIONAL RETURNING OFFICER.

The Governor-General in Council has appointed Mr. Sydney William Hill as returning officer for the division of Cowper.

NO EXCLUSION OF MAORIS.

GRATITUDE IN NEW ZEALAND.

The decision of the Australian Premier not to apply the Alien Immigration Restriction Act to the natives of New Zealand evoked telegrams of gratification on Saturday from the Premier of that colony, and also from a prominent Maori representative. Mr. Seddon accepts the assurance of Mr. Reid that the three excluded Maoris were subjected to a language test. His telegram to Mr. Reid was as follows:—

"In face of your telegram that test was applied to the two Maoris, the allegation that this was not done is withdrawn, the explanation being probably that the Maoris did not understand what was demanded; although your decision to refrain from putting the test in future to Maoris is a happy ending to a perplexing situation. On behalf of both races in this colony, we tender you and the Government of the Commonwealth for this act of justice to a noble race our warmest thanks, and assure you that while the Maoris are deeply grateful at being placed on a level with their pakeha brethren, they will not trench on their policy of White Australia, or violate the labour conditions, which they much appreciate."

The message from the Maoris is couched in their characteristic florid and emotional language. It is as follows:—

"To the Premier of Australia.—The hearts of the Maoris are gladdened to know that you do not intend to prevent them visiting Australia. In the early years they formed part of the parent colony, and were of the one mother. It was the pakeha who made the separation; but our feelings have always been fraternal. When the people of Australia came here we were powerful and numerous, and treated them as our brethren; but when exception was recently taken to a few of our people who went to see you, we became 'pouri' and sad at heart. Your message to the Premier has removed the cloud. Very few of us will cross 'te moana,' but many of your people will come to see us, and they will be welcome enough. The Maoris thank you. Mahuta."

QUEENSLAND MYSTERY.

A CHARGE OF MURDER.

SUPPOSED BURNING OF A BODY.

ARTICLES RECOVERED FROM A FIRE.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

The following additional evidence was given at the Crow's Nest Police Court in the case against James Ryan, charged with the murder of Walter George Benton at Pinelands on February 4:—

William John Fitch, farmer at Pinelands, adjoining Benton's selection, said he had known the accused two years, and Benton 18 or 20 years. The last witness saw of Benton was, he believed, at Ryan's on the night of February 4. Witness corroborated Kelly's evidence as to what took place on the evening of the 4th. Witness knew no reason for Benton leaving the district.

Acting Sergeant Patrick Daly, recalled, said that on the 14th he, in company with the accused and Acting Sergeant Henderson, went over the accused's tracks to the Pinelands school. The way was very rough. There was no track of any description. Witness, speaking as an experienced bushman, would not care to go over that track at night. He would rather go three miles round, even in daylight. Witness gave evidence regarding the fires. From appearances witness considered that they must have been fierce. On examining the fires witness found a pair of tweezers and three buttons similar to those worn on dungaree trousers, some small pieces of bone, one copper rivet, and one boot eyelet. Witness considered that all these had been through a strong fire. He was present when the defendant in reply to Sub-Inspector Malone said he had been burning rubbish and lit the fires about a fortnight before. The defendant also told Mr. Malone that he lit No. 2 fire since Benton was at his place. Mr. Malone said, "Well, Ryan, we have found the remains of something else which had been burnt in this fire besides timber and brushwood, and which I will tell you of later." Defendant, who did not reply, went away. On February 16 witness assisted to make a search of Ryan's residence. He found two bottles labelled "strychnine" containing white powder. Ryan said he did not know it was there, and must have got it when dog poisoning, and the missus must have put it away. Witness did not think the bottles had been opened. Later the same day witness saw a pine log which had been afire. Underneath there was a good deal of ashes. Mixed with these witness found the heel of a boot burned to a cinder. From the piggery siftings witness got six brass boot rivets and 10 smaller pieces of bone. All had been through fire. From a washing of No. 2 fire witness got 51 brass boot rivets, a boot eyelet, three boot eyelet holes, and one copper rivet similar to those used on dungaree trouser pockets, seven small pieces of bone, two pieces of lead like grains of shot. All these things were produced. So far as witness could see no effort had been made to clear the country in the vicinity of the fire. No house rubbish, such as old clothes, tins, etc., were found in the vicinity, though the search was continued since February 14. Six trackers were there now. When searching the defendant's house witness noticed old clothes, tins, and rubbish about the place.

The Court was adjourned to March 9.

IT IS THE PURITY of ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOTS that makes them such wholesome food for children and invalids.—Advt.

QUEENSLAND.

THE SUGAR INDUSTRY.

QUESTION OF BLACK LABOUR.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

Mr. A. L. Anderson, a sugar planter on the Herbert River, North Queensland, interviewed at Brisbane, said he had tried white labour in the cane fields, and had come to the conclusion that the sugar industry without black labour was impossible north of Mackay. White labour in the north was not only scarce, but utterly unreliable, and as a result of that, and the uncertainty as to the future of the industry, farmers were not increasing their acreages. Mr. R. M. Boyd, a mill owner at Ripple Creek, North Queensland, was also interviewed. He stated that there was good ground for fearing that unless the sugar bonus was continued, and the tariff, so far as it affects sugar, fixed on a permanent basis, the sugar industry would not only not progress, but north of Mackay it must die out. The present position, he declared, was leading farmers to hand over their land to Chinamen.

DISCOVERY OF HUMAN REMAINS.

What is believed to be the skull of an aboriginal has been found in a watercourse on Mount Cootha reserve, near Brisbane. A search was made for the bones of the skeleton, but none could be found.

NAVIGATION COMMISSION.

At a meeting of the Rockhampton Chamber of Commerce yesterday the president, Mr. Thompson, in replying to Mr. Hughes's charges of apathy on the part of the Queensland chambers with regard to the Navigation Commission, stated that a notice inviting the representative was only received on the 16th, and the commission sat on the 20th in Brisbane, so no time was allowed to make any arrangements.

No assessment is to be levied this year under the Sugar Experiment Station Act of 1900, as the amount raised last year was sufficient for the requirements of the current year.

The city inspector has furnished a strong report on the insanitary condition of the General Post Office, Brisbane. The Health Commissioner and also Medical Officer of Health have furnished reports bearing out that of the city inspector.

As a result of the recent deputation of medical men, it is probable that an endeavour will be made to place a bill on the business paper for next session dealing with infantile mortality. The Government seem to have concluded that, judging from present experience, it is useless to leave this work to local authorities.

Sir Horace Tozer, speaking at Charters Towers on Friday night, said that agricultural labour should be allowed into the State under contract.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

DEEPENING PORT PIRIE HARBOUR.

ADELAIDE, Saturday.

The president of the Marine Board told a deputation at Port Pirie to-day that the work of deepening and widening the harbour would be started at once, and that £40,000 would be spent on the work.

CULTIVATION OF COTTON.

Captain Bradshaw, of the Northern Territory, who is now in Adelaide, states that there is every reason to believe that the cultivation of cotton will shortly be started by Captain Strahan, who recently secured a lease on Cocos Island.

BURGLARY AT ADELAIDE.

The shop of Henderson Brothers was broken into by burglars this morning. At an early hour the police heard voices at the front part of the premises, and forced an entrance through the door. They found a man lying under a door in an iron shed at the back. He was arrested. Another man was observed by the police, but ran down a lane at the side of the building. A constable called on his to stop, but he refused. The officer thereupon fired three shots, none of which took effect. No cash or valuables were taken.

TASMANIA.

THE HIGH COURT.

HOBART, Sunday.

The Federal High Court concluded on Saturday, and the justices have left for Melbourne.

BRIER HOLME SEARCH.

The search party has returned from the wreck of the Brier Holme, and confirms the previous report concerning the condition and position of the vessel, but the party is reticent about the prospects of saving any more cargo. A report will officially be made to-morrow.

THE HERCULES MINE STRIKE.

ZEEHAN, Sunday.

At a monster meeting of the A.M.A. to-day a special strike levy of 5s was struck, covering 500 members. The funds thus raised will be used to augment the strike pay to the Hercules miners on strike, particularly in the case of married men.

QUEENSTOWN, Sunday.

The remains of Stephen Le Franchi, who mysteriously disappeared from his home at Gormanston on October 18 last, were found this morning on a range of mountains about two miles from Queenstown. The body, which was merely a skeleton, was identified by means of a lodge contribution book bearing deceased's name.

EMPIRE RIFLE MATCHES.

THE SCHOOL CONTEST.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

Major Garrard, organising secretary for Australia of the Schools of the Empire rifle matches, has received full details from England of the result of the 1904 competition. The number of schools which took part were as follows:—Great Britain, 44; Australia, 14; Natal, 18; and Cape Colony, 3—or 79 in all, as against 69 last year. Seven New Zealand schools also shot, but their scores were returned too late to be considered. The match, which was won last year by Brisbane Grammar School, on this occasion went to Charterhouse (England) with a score of 490. The Brisbane school did not shoot to form in this contest, making only 467. They finished in the seventh position, and were the most prominent of the Australians. The other schools took place as follows:—Armidale, N.S.W., 14th; Geelong College, Vic., 23rd; Newington, N.S.W., 24th, Church of England Grammar School, Vic., 32nd; Hawthorn College, Vic., 35th; The King's School, N.S.W., 39th; Ipswich, Central Queensland, 43rd; Maryborough, Queensland, 44th; Church of England, Vic., 50th. Five schools in England and one in Australia were disqualified.

RINDERPEST AT MANILA.

OUTBREAK IN GERMAN NEW GUINEA.

BRISBANE, Sunday.

Professor Watson, a passenger on board the Empire, says that rinderpest is very bad at Manila, and local experts are preparing serum, with which cattle are inoculated. He had been informed that rinderpest had broken out in German New Guinea, and Queensland and Australia generally should, therefore, take precautions against the disease. It was suggested that the authorities in Queensland should send one or two young men to study the disease and its cure. Another disease that was raging in the Philippines, killing cattle and horses, was the surra, which was identical with the sleeping sickness disease spread by a fly.

A TERRIBLE FALL.

KALGOORLIE, Sunday.

A shocking mining fatality, by which a young man, Alfred Perkins, accountant to the company, was deprived of his life, occurred at the North Boulder mine on Saturday morning. It appears that deceased had occasion to go below to interview the manager, and was lowered from the surface to No. 4 level. What happened is not known, but it is thought he stepped in one of the adjoining compartments, as he immediately afterwards fell to the bottom of the shaft, a depth of 1000ft. Men working at No. 6 level heard a noise of something strike heavily at the bottom of the shaft. On lowering the cage the lifeless body of Perkins was found in a fearfully mutilated state. It presented a ghastly sight. Deceased was married. He has left a widow and two children.

Born 95 years ago in Cheshire, the Rev. William Jackson, of the United Methodist Free Churches, died recently at Exeter. He was probably the oldest Nonconformist minister in the country.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

HAZE OFF THE COASTLINE.

PERTH, Sunday.

The thick haze, caused by the smoke of bush fires, has prevailed off the coastline during the past few weeks. Captain Strom, of the steamer Cooeyanna, which arrived from the eastern States on Friday morning, reports that he first met with the haze after passing Cape Naturaliste, and, as the land was approached, it became very thick. The lights on Rottnest could not be distinguished until the vessel was close upon them. The Cooeyanna had to be slowed down, and soundings taken continually. "Although not so dense as some of the fogs met with off the English coast," said Captain Storm, "the haze caused by the smoke is equally as bad, if not worse, as it has such a bad effect upon the eyes. In fact, my eyes are still smarting from its effects."

MATTERS IN THE NORTH-WEST.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A CONSTABLE.

Mr. Johnston, the Acting Premier, states that he is not in a position to say much about Warden Troy's mission or his destination. We might mention, however, that since Dr. Roth's report on the aborigines had been compiled, certain matters had been reported to the Government. These matters were not altogether in connection with the report, but consisted of information which the Government was determined to sift to the bottom if proof could be secured, and Warden Troy had been sent to make inquiries. Those guilty of a certain offence would be made an example of. The Government was determined to take extreme measures. He believed that a lot of things went on in the north-west that should not be tolerated. They wanted to sheet one of the offences home, and Warden Troy had been selected as one of the best officers of the department for the inquiry. If fair evidence could be secured, the offender would be punished.

Later.

Ministers admit that the object of Warden Troy's visit is to inquire into a charge against a constable of assaulting young girls at one of the towns in the north-west. It is understood that the girls were about 16 years old.

LATE MINING.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, March 5.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday prices of Australian mining ventures were:—

Associated Gold Mines, £1 17s 6d.
Broken Hill Proprietary, 42s 6d.
New Chillagoe, 10½d.
Great Boulder Proprietary, 21s 9d.
Ivanhoe, £7 8s 9d.
Lake View Consols, £1 2s 6d.
Mount Lyell, 17s.
Great Fingall Consolidated, £8 2s 6d.
Brisels, 11s.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

THE N.R.A. COMPETITIONS.

NAVAL BRIGADE AND NORTH SYDNEY LEADING.

The sixth round of the A and B Grade competitions, held under the auspices of the National Rifle Association, was decided on Saturday afternoon at Randwick range. Conditions for good shooting were unfavourable, the S.E. wind being erratic in direction and strength, particularly at 900 and 1000 yds., where "mirages" were numerous. From 14 and 15 vermiers it would drop without warning to 6 and 8 degrees, and as suddenly come up again, the invariable result to the riflemen down being one or more "misses." Some men, of course, had even "patches," and made the most of them.

In the A grade, or Cortese Cup matches, Naval Brigade put up the best aggregate of the day—490—defeating Randwick by 62. Western Suburbs scored 480 to Parramatta's 440. South Sydney had a forfeit from the practically defunct Police Club, but shot over the ranges, and compiled 464. North Sydney drew the bye. Australian Rifles and Sydney will shoot on March 25. Lieutenant Rickwood registered the best score at three ranges, getting 32 at 800 yds., and 32 at 1000 yds. The positions of clubs are:—Naval Brigade and North Sydney, 6 wins; Western Suburbs, 4 wins, 2 defeats; Australian Rifles and Sydney, 3 wins, 2 defeats; Randwick, 3 wins, 3 defeats; South Sydney, 2 wins, 4 defeats; and Parramatta, 1 win, 5 defeats. With three rounds to fire, the premiership rests between the leaders, who meet on May 6.

The B grade match, at 800 and 900 yds., gave Tramway a win over Naval Brigade B by 528 to 527; Randwick B (with 534 at 800yds) defeated North Sydney B by 521 to 501; and Western Suburbs B won by only 5 points from Parramatta B. Australian Rifles B and Irish Rifles have yet to fire. The next round of this competition is the last, and Tramway, with 6 wins, and Randwick B, with 5 wins and 1 loss, cannot be displaced from their lead. Parramatta B and Naval Brigade B have 3 wins and 3 defeats each; North Sydney B and Western Suburbs B, 2 wins and 4 defeats each; and Australian Rifles B and Irish Rifles, 1 win and 5 defeats.

A number of clubs held their monthly shootings, and a return match, 16 a side, between the Goulburn Railway Ambulance Club and the Tramway men, was also fired, the visitors being defeated by 90 points. At 500 and 600 yds, Company Sergeant-Major Firman put up 33, 32—65, and F. W. Turton 31, 33—64. Two Randwick "tyros" obtained "possibles" at the shorter range.

During the afternoon the Mayor of Parramatta (Alderman W. Noller) presented the Naval Brigade Club with a handsomely framed certificate, containing full details of the world's record—593 points at 800 and 1000 yds—put up by its A team recently against the Parramatta Club. Results:—

CORTESE CUP COMPETITION.

NAVAL BRIGADE DEFEAT RANDWICK.

Naval Brigade.—Lieutenant Rickwood, 29, 32—61; P.O. Flukes, 28, 28—56; Sub-Lieutenant Coggins, 28, 26—54; A.B. Fenn, 28, 25—53; Sub-Lieutenant Stephens, 31, 21—52; L.S. Wills, 28, 18—46; A.B. Connolly, 23, 21—44; A.B. Urquhart, 26, 18—44; C.P.O. Heath, 25, 16—41; Lieutenant Linderman, 24, 15—39. Totals, 900 yds, 270; 1000 yds., 220; grand total, 490 points.

Randwick.—M. Meaney, 23, 33—56; H. Clark, 26, 30—56; W. Ross, 32, 21—53; F. Masters, 26, 19—45; E. Hearne, 14, 28—42; J. F. Walker, 20, 19—39; A. W. Mallalieu, 29, 12—41; D. H. Mitchell, 22, 17—39; G. Legeo, 24, 10—34; W. A. Clark, 27, 4—31. Totals, 900 yds., 240; 1000 yds., 169; grand total, 408.

WESTERN SUBURBS DEFEAT PARRAMATTA.

Western Suburbs.—F. C. Coates, 26, 26—52; W. R. Melville, 31, 21—52; R. W. Holt, 25, 26—51; A. Keevers, 25, 25—50; J. W. Adams, 27, 23—50; H. Craven, 29, 19—48; C. Grant, 21, 22—43; G. Daniels, 32, 11—43; W. Hillman, 26, 16—42; H. Scott, 19, 9—28. Totals, 251, 196, 450 points.

Parramatta.—C. Tayler, 27, 25—52; W. Noller, 27, 25—52; T. L. Westbrook, 22, 18—50; P. Nottinghausen, 24, 25—49; Ardill, 28, 21—49; H. C. Kendall, 23, 24—47; A. Zlotkowski, 27, 12—39; E. J. Brown, 12, 25—37; J. Watson, 13, 21—34; F. W. Earp, 19, 11—30. Totals, 227, 203—440.

POLICE FORFEIT TO SOUTH SYDNEY.

South Sydney having received a forfeit from Police, fired over the ranges, and totalled 200, 196—464 points, the chief scores being:—F. Swinbourne, 44; J. Beverley, 22, 20—91; K. Atkin, 28, 23—27, 31—58; J. Beverley, 22, 20—91; K. Atkin, 28, 23—51; J. Webster, 32, 28—60; E. Townsend, 33, 32—65; W. Webster, 32, 28—60; E. Townsend, 33, 32—65; R. Stephenson, 29, 29—58; W. Poole, 32, 26—58; R. Stephenson, 29, 29—58; W. Poole, 32, 25—57; G. R. Greig, 33, 24—57; A. Thorpe, 30, 26—56; A. Barnes, 22, 23—55; W. Young, 28, 24—52. Totals: 500yds, 314; 600yds, 207. Grand total: 521 points.

North Sydney B.—D. Tate, 31, 31—62; L. M'Guire, 31, 29—60; A. C. Wisheart, 32, 28—60; W. Snape, 30, 29—59; R. C. Broomham, 30, 28—58; J. Whitfield, 30, 28—58; A. Beattie, 28, 27—55; R. Archbold, 29, 26—55; A. Beattie, 28, 27—55; R. Archbold, 29, 24—53; J. B. Thomson, 25, 29—52; H. Woods, 23, 25—47. Totals: 299, 271—561.

TRAMWAY DEFEAT NAVAL BRIGADE B.

Tramway.—W. Coulter, 33, 31—64; J. A. Wright, 32, 30—62; O. J. Stanton, 34, 29—62; W. H. Muir, 33, 28—61; C. G. Staff, 34, 26—60; C. Smith, 27, 30—57; C. L. Cooper, 25, 31—56; M. Donnellan, 31, 25—56; W. Green, 29, 26—55; J. Dilworth, 26, 19—45. Totals: 294, 275—569 points.

Naval Brigade B.—A.B. Swanson, 30, 32—62; A.B. Greenland, 27, 31—58; A.B. Lester, 31, 27—58; A.B. Ainsworth, 32, 26—58; A.B. Buckley, 28, 28—56; A.B. Griffin, 28, 25—53; A.B. Hinkins, 27, 25—52; A.B. Fox, 24, 24—48; A.B. Fearnside, 23, 21—44; A.B. Clampett, 27, 13—40. Totals: 277, 250—527.

WESTERN SUBURBS B DEFEAT PARRAMATTA B.

Western Suburbs B.—G. Kennedy, 31, 31—62; W. Condon, 32, 27—59; A. M'Credie, 26, 31—57; H. Allars, 27, 30—57; F. G. Holley, 24, 30—54; A. W. Hennigham, 29, 26—54; P. H. Taylor, 28, 26—53; K. M'Kinnon, 27, 25—52; J. Beddall, 25, 24—49; A. V. Brown, 31, 15—46. Totals: 279, 262—541 points.

Parramatta B.—H. E. Mills, 29, 31—60; H. B. Jamieson, 32, 27—59; T. Fraser, 28, 29—57; R. Shields, 27, 28—55; E. Swinbourne, 27, 28—55; G. Watt, 28, 27—55; Slattery, 24, 28—52; Johnston, 27, 23—50; Green, 24, 25—49; Ennis, 19, 25—44. Totals, 265, 271—536 points.

TRAMWAY DEFEAT GOULBURN R. AMBULANCE.

The return match between the Goulburn Railway Ambulance Club and Sydney Tramway Club was fired at Randwick, the teams being 16 aside, seven shots each at 500 and 600 yards. The match resulted in a win for the Tramway combination by 99 points. The winners' totals were 460, 441—910. The scores of the 10 men who shot in the N.R.A. competition were counted in, and the other six men made:—E. J. Weine, 26, 33—59; W. Wheeler, 29, 30—59; W. Pigott, 31, 28—59; W. Southwell, 33, 27—59; W. Gribble, 30, 28—58; A. Coxhead, 27, 25—52. The visiting team compiled 409, 402—811, the chief scorers being:—W. Harding, 32, 31—63; R. Ingleton, 30, 32—62; A. Milne, 33, 29—62; R. O. Milne, 32, 28—60; W. Fosters, 32, 28—60; J. Moorehead, 33, 30—55; A. Stephenson, 25, 30—55; W. Coulter, 28, 25—51; A. Kingsell, 20, 28—48.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

The New South Wales Gun Club's sixth competition for the Kurnel cup, to be won twice, took place at the club's ground on Thursday. Nine members competed. The previous winners were:—E. Pickering, *Locksley, *Canuck, A. W. Eales, and *Ryde. At the end of the ninth round two were left in—E. Pickering (30), and J. E. Meynink (27). They both missed the next bird, and Meynink missing the 11th, and Pickering killing the latter, won the trophy outright. Other competitors:—*Herbert (30½) and A. Hill (28), 8; *Ian (30), 5; *Ryde (23), 2; *Canuck (25½) and *Orphan (21), 2; H. Garratt (30), nil. Sweepstakes followed. First sweep: Pickering (30½) and *Ian (30) divided at the 11th bird. Second sweep: Pickering (30½), A. Hill (22), and *Orphan (21) divided at the 3rd bird. Third sweep: Meynink (27½), *Ian (26), and *Ryde (23) divided at the 9th bird. Fourth sweep: Pickering (30½), Meynink (27½), and A. Hill (23) divided at the 10th bird. *Assumed.

THE WEATHER.

The weather cleared up in the city on Saturday, and a delightful day was experienced. The total quantity of rain registered during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. was 194 points, which, added to the 203 points registered before 9 a.m. on Friday, made a total of 397 points—almost four inches. Yesterday afternoon a severe storm of short duration passed over the city as a result of which an additional quantity of 62 points was measured, thus bringing the total to 459 points since the early hours of Friday morning.

The weather chart received from the Observatory shows that some heavy downpours occurred during Friday, the principal registrations being:—

	Pts.		Pts.
Raymond Terrace	233	Blackheath	187
Maitland	280	Windsor	186
Port Stephens	205	Pilliga	128
Newcastle	193	Lassetts	131
Sydney	194	Narrabri	130
Mount Victoria	192	Singleton	110
Kurrajong	187	Wollongong	104

Mr. Hunt says that fine cool conditions are expected to prevail over the greater part of the State, but there is a possibility of showery weather returning to the coast and near the Murray.

DAMAGE AT CANTERBURY.

The severe storm which passed over Sydney and the suburbs on Friday was responsible for the flooding of the low-lying lands at Canterbury, the Chinamen's gardens having a depth of 2ft. or 3ft. of water. The flow into Cook's River was considerable, and the stream was swollen to such an extent as to bring it up to within a few feet of the bridges. The gardens in some instances were wrecked, and the roads were almost impassable, thus delaying some of the gardeners on their way to the market.

TAREE.—A thunderstorm on Friday afternoon yielded 65 points.

MOREE.—A thunderstorm occurred on Thursday night, the following rainfall being registered:—Moree 60 points, Wee Waa 42, Mungindi 51, Pilliga 9, Collarenebri 28, Mogil 50, Carinda 75, Coolah 72, Pallamallawa 25, Boggabilla 16, Yetman 12.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Sunday.

Average rainfall for 46 years, 49.35H.
Average for 46 years from Jan. 1 to Feb. 28, 8.33in.
Total from Jan. 1 to March 4, 7.92in.
Temperatures: Saturday, maximum 73.3, minimum 61.8. Sunday: Maximum 75.5, minimum 62.4; 9 p.m., 64.8.
Humidity: Saturday, 9 a.m., 67.

BAROMETER READINGS AT 9 A.M. SATURDAY.

Portland, 29.96; Melbourne, 29.95; Wilson's Promontory, 29.80; Gabo Island, 29.84; Cape St. George, 29.87; Sydney, 29.87; Newcastle, 29.86; Port Macquarie, 29.80; Clarence Heads, 29.86.

Sunday: Sydney, 9 p.m., 30.118.

RAINFALL.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. Saturday).—Armidale 32 points, Bathurst 12, Bingara 5, Bowral 37, Burraba 16, Blackheath 18, Blackville 10, Blayney 28, Boggabri 8, Byron 5, Camden 8, Crookhaven 15, Camden Haven 64, Cape St. George 8, Carcoar 24, Carinda 40, Casstia 4, Clarence 1, Coolangubdabri 9, Emmaville 15, Goodooga 2, Glen Innes 7, Grafton 24, Gulgong 6, Gunnedah 2, Hill End 46, Katoomba 15, Kempsey 15, Kiama 22, Kurrajong 187, Lawson 151, Manilla 43, Merriwa 6, Maitland 280, Manning Heads 25, Molong 10, Moss Vale 33, Mount Victoria 192, Mudgee 14, Mungindi 1, Murrurundi 2, Muswellbrook 25, Narrabri 130, Newcastle 105, Nundle 8, Orange 15, Picton 18, Pilliga 138, Port Macquarie 19, Port Stephens 205, Parramatta 97, Rockley 5, Raymond Terrace 83, Springwood 85, Scone 58, Singleton 110, Sydney 194, Taralga 41, Tahlun 3, Tamworth 2, Taree 66, Tenterfield 1, Tweed Heads 118, Tralla 25, Walcha 34, Walgett 30, Warialda 6, Wellington 3, Wollongong 104, Windsor 186, Woolgoolga 15, Yetman 6.

Sunday reports: Sydney (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.), 62 points, Kiama, heavy showers, Crookhaven, showery.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M. SATURDAY.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. Saturday).—Wet weather continued over the coastal and tableland districts, also on the North western slopes, until early morning, when the rainy conditions cleared away to sea; the temperatures were cool and pleasant throughout, and winds southerly, and on parts of the seaboard squally and strong.

THE RIVERS INLAND.

The heights of rivers above summer level at 9 a.m. on Saturday were:—Albury, 8 f.; Balranald, 5 s. f.; Booligal, stopped running, 2ft. 5in.; Carrathool, 4ft. 5in.; Hemidgate, 12ft.; Dubbo, 1ft 6in.; Eualadong, dry; Euston, 4ft 4in.; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 5 s. f.; Gunnedah, low; Hay, 2ft 9 s. f.; Hillston, dry; Kumopta, low; Louth, 2ft 7in. f.; Manilla, low; Mossgiel, 2ft; Mogil Mogil, low; Mungindi, 2ft 11in.; Moama, 6ft 6in.; Moulamein, 6in; Narrandera, 6ft 6in.; Pooncarie, 10in; Tilpa, 1ft 2in. f.; Tocumwal, 11in; Wagga Wagga, 6in; Wentworth, 5 s. f.; Wilcannia, 3ft 8in. f.; Yetman, low; Barwon River at Walgett, 5ft 7in. stationary; Namoi River at Walgett, 2ft 2in. stationary.

Note.—R, rising; f, falling; s f, summer level; s s f, below summer level.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 6.30 P.M. SUNDAY.

Ballina, l., fine, sea smooth, Woolgoolga, NE. light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, SE., light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, calm, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, SSW., light, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, S. fresh, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, SE., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, SSE., strong, cloudy, sea smooth; Barrenjoey, NE., strong, showery; Sydney Heads, SE., moderate; South Head, SE., fresh, dull, sea moderate; Wollongong, SE., light, cloudy, showery, sea moderate; Kiama, SE., light, showery, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, SE., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Moruya, NW., fresh, overcast, sea smooth; Eden, SW., fresh, fine, cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, SW., strong, cloudy, sea slight; Gabo Island, SW., moderate, cloudy, misty, fine, sea slight.

FORECAST AT 9 P.M. SUNDAY.

New South Wales.—Cloudy to showery on the coast, fine inland; southerly winds, squally to strong on the seaboard.—H. A. Hunt

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Saturday Evening.

There were no sales on 'Change this morning, and quotations were without alteration.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.	P.C. Paid to Investor
	£	£						p.c.
ETCOCE &c				4	101½	99½	...	4
B.H.P. S.A. Acct 1902	2,849,880	...	...	4	101½	100	...	4
Do. Acct 1903	850,000	...	...	4	99½	99½	...	...
Do. 1904		...	...					
Do. 1905	4,000,000	...	...	3	80	81	83	3½
Do. 1906	1,250,000	...	...	3½	90	90	91½	4
Do. 1907		...	...	4	100	99	100	4
Do. 1908		...	...	4	99½	...	...	...
Do. 1909		...	...	5	...	...	...	...
Do. 1910	222,225	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. 1911	1,000,000	...	...	6½	99	...	...	6½
Do. 1912		...	...					
Do. T. Hills	1,168,700	...	...	5½	98½	98	99	...
Do. 1914	800,000	...	...	4	99½	99	...	4½
Do. 1915	800,000	...	...	5	100	...	...	...
Do. 1916	800,000	...	...	4	...	99	...	...
Do. Tra.								
Do. 1917	580,000	...	...	4	...	...	99½	...
Do. 1918				4	...	...	...	...
Do. 1919								
Do. 1920								
Do. 1921				5	103½	104	...	4½
Do. 1922								
Do. 1923								
City Sydney	220,000	...	...	4	100	99	...	4
Do. 1908	100,000	...	...	4	102	...	...	4
Do. 1909								
Do. 1910								
Australian Do. Deb.	300,000	...	...		99½	99	101	4
BANKS.								
Aust. N.Z.	384,528	31	1	...	...	...	...	...
Australasian	1,000,000	40	40	12	90	90	...	8½
Do.	240,000	10	8	2½	...	...	68	...
City	100,000	10	8	3½	61	...	57½	9½
Do. Issue								
Commercial	94,800	10	10	...	3/9	4/	5/	...
Do. of Aust.	2,917,200	10	10	5	15/3	15/	...	...
Intercolonial	1,000,000	10	10	3	15/3	13	...	...
Do. pref.	48,281	1	1	8	11/6	11/7	12/2	8
N. Brunswick	200,000	20	20	4	15/6	15/10	...	...
N.S.W.	917,477	...	...	4½	15/6	15/10	...	...
Do. pref.	200,347	...	...	5½	13/4	13/10	14	11½
Union	3,116,621	...	...	5½	13/4	13/3	13/9	11½
Do. pref.								
STEAM.								
Adelaide Steam.	16,620	1	1	7½	...	28/	29/	...
Adelaide Perry	40,787	1	1/4	...	1/9	1/9	1/9½	...
Australasian Steam Nav. Co.	250,000	20	20/	10	15/	...	...	...
Australian Steam Nav. Co.	250,000	20	5	5	...	...	...	...
Australian Steam Nav. Co. pref.	100,000	...	5	5	19/9	19/6	20/	...
Howard Smith	100,000	...	17/6	8	27/	26/10	27/	8
North Coast	140,000	1	1	10	53/6	52/	55/	...
Queensland	35,000	20	25	5	22/6	22/	23/	...
Do. 7% Do.	8,745	1	1	4	...	...	...	...
Do. Co-op.								
TRUSTEE	62,500	1	12/6	14/	60/	53/	61/	4½
A.M. Fire	37,500	1	5	16	15/6	...	15/6	...
Do. Mut.	200,000	10	2	10	94/6	...	...	...
Do. Reinsur.	200,000	10	2	8	17/	...	...	...
Do. Life	400,000	10	2½	12½	5/3	5/	5/4	6½
Colonial Trust	60,325	10	2½	12½	62/	...	65/	...
Equitable new								
Do.								
COAL.								
Balmain	175,000	1	1	15	...	29/	30/	...
Bulli	120,000	1	1	10	24/	23/9	24/6	12½
Hetton Victoria	47,500	1	1	5	...	...	12/6	...
Hetton	120,000	5	5	5	4/	4/6	5/	...
Newcastle	100,000	10	10	25	...	...	...	...
Wallsend	90,000	1	1	5	4/	3/	3/	...
New Tariff Clyde				1½	...	20/	...	...
Waratah	40,000	10	4	10	...	24	...	...
Wonwon				1½	...	6/	6/	...
Wallsend & Co.								
Bullock Is.	109,977	1	1	2/Nil	2/	2/6	...	...
New		1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Proprietary		1	1	...	...	9/	10/	...
GAS.								
Albury	1,200	5	5	10	20/3	...	27/	...
Australian	150,000	1	1	15	15	...	17½	...
Ch. Towns.	30,000	10	8	15	14/9	...	...	...
Goulburn	20,000	1	1	15	31/	...	...	...
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	27/6	...	28/	...
Kalgoorlie	15,500	2	2	7	...	...	...	...
Maitland	10,000	1	1	9	28/	22/	...	...
Metropolitan	1,000,000	10	10	10	13/6	13/	13/9	...
Newcastle	78,000	1	1	7	18/6	18/	19/	...
Sydney	38,250	2	2	15	6½	...	...	...
Do. pref.	125,000	10	10	7	24/6	24/	25/	...
Do. New	12,500	10	10/	7	21/	22/	...	...
NEWSPAPERS.								
Australian	48,800	10	10/	5	2/	...	...	...
Daily Telegraph	250,000	1	1	4	2/	2/	...	...
Do. pref.	100,000	15	15	...	28/	28/6	...	...
Sydney	100,000	1	1	4	12/6	12/4	12/6	5½
Do. New	200,000	1	1	5	26/3	26/	26/3	5½
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Australasian Soap	17,500	10	10/	...	2/	2/6	3/	...
Aust. Cen.	49,000	1	1	...	7/	7/	...	...
B.H.W. Sup.	285,000	1	1	5	19/	19/	20/	...
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	5	20/	20/	21/	6
Do. Debs.	250,000	20	20	10	97½	...	...	...
Col. Sugar	2,000,000	20	20	10	20½	20/	20/3	5
Kalgoorlie Co.	1,000,000	20	5	5	95/	90/	100/	...
Pioneer Pa.		1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Tyre pref.	80,000	1	1	7	20/	19/	20/6	7
Do. Rights					1/9	1/	...	...
Zinc & Proc.								
Grand	97,500	1	1/6	7	7/6	7/	8/6	14
Mult Co.	21,050	1	13/	7½	20/	...	...	14
Mel. Trams.	40,000	10	10	12½	...	22/6	23/	5½
N. de Peire	74,469	1	1	10	3/7	...	4/	...
Nat'l Bank	200,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Nat. pref.	48,281	1	1	8	11/6	11/3	12/3	8
N. Prod. Inv.	91,750	12	10	6	9/1	8/6	9/	7
Shale and Oil	80,000	1	17	...	1/3	...	6d	...
New York								
Tob.	15,000	1	1	10	...	...	10/	...
Tram. Trust	25,000	5	2/6	8	4/	...	4/2	5
Imp. Trust.	25,000	10	8	10	10	9/9	10/3	5
Balmain								
Waverley & Wrench	60,000	1	1	5	11/	10/6	...	...
Bell Tramway	197,800	1	1	20	62/6	60/	...	6
Bendigo Trust	30,000	10	10	6	12	11/	...	6
Bell. Syd.	75,000	15	10	10	30/6	30/	31/	6
Bris.	87,500	1	1/6	15	14/9	14/9	...	...
Bris. Hyd.								
Bris.	15,000	1	1/6	10	14/6	...	...	...
Mel. Land Co.					1/9	...	...	...
Bell's Mtge.								
Assoc.	12,000	1	2/6	8	...	...	16/	...
Bris. Water								
Do.								
W. S. Coal.					4/	2/	3/	...
Brit. & Co.	120,000	1	1	10	31/	30/6	31/6	6½
Cable Rld.								
Cable Dep.					9/3	9/	...	...
Dymock. D.					18/	...	...	...
Do. Shares						16/6	...	...
Do. Pref.	45,000	20	...	...	...	20/	...	5½
Edison Inv.	37,787	1	15/	6	20/	19/	20/6	...
Edison, B. & I.				6	...	19/	21/	...
Ent. Pne. L.	18,750	7	7/6	...	2/6	2/6	...	...
Explosives D.								

*Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly div. †Per share.

Trade continues quiet in all departments, but the recent rains have benefited a large area in the State. These will have beneficial results, being especially welcome at this time of the year. Bank deposit rates are quoted as follows:—For 24 months, 4 per cent.; for 12 months, 3½ per cent.; and for six months, 2 per cent. Discount rates are:—For three months' bills, 5½ to 6 per cent.; four months' bills, 6 to 6½ per cent.; overdrafts, 8 to 7½ per cent.

Exchange rates on London may be quoted as follows:—

	Buying.	Selling.
On demand	...	12s 6d to 15s prem.
30 days' sight	5s disc.	7s 6d to 15s prem.
60 days' sight	7½ to 12½ disc.	2s 6d to 5s prem.

The rates of State and interstate exchanges are as follows:—On New South Wales, 2s per cent., Broken Hill and Wilcannia, ½; on Queensland, as far north as Rockhampton, ½; Townsville, ¾; north of Townsville, 1; Victoria, ½; Tasmania and South Australia, ½; Western Australia—Perth and Fremantle, ½; Boulder City, Coolgardie, and Kalgoorlie, ½ per cent.; other parts of Western Australia, 1½.

The steamer Damascus sailed on Saturday for London, via South Africa and ports, with four boxes of gold (£6150), shipped by the A.U.S.N. Company for London.

Our cable dealing with the world's copper statistics for February enables us to complete the following comparisons, drawn from the returns of Messrs. Hy. R. Merton and Co.'s monthly report:—

Stock in England and France and Afloat.	Supplies. Tons.	Deliveries. Tons.
Feb. 28, 1903	30,622	22,701
Feb. 29, 1904	34,057	24,961
Feb. 28, 1905	29,520	27,280

The past year was marked by an expansion in the copper trade, which, small at the beginning of the year, culminated in a burst of activity during the last quarter. The higher values obtainable in 1903 and 1904 did not add greatly to supplies except in America and Mexico, whilst those from Japan were latterly not available for export. The output in the United States probably reached 325,000 tons, an increase of 25,000 tons, and, although there were imports from Mexico, Chile, and other places of 75,000 tons, the European requirements were on so large a scale that stocks there were probably lowered by 15,000 to 20,000 tons. There is always some doubt as to the stocks in the States, but there can be no doubt as to the increased consumption on this side, the shipments to Europe being 243,500, against 135,410 tons in 1903. Most of this went to the Continent, and much of it has gone into war material for Russia. The domestic trade in the States only recently disclosed a more favourable position, and in view of the revival there in the iron and machinery trades the monthly quantity now required will probably be not far short of 20,000 tons.

The calls relative to tin statistics is likewise capable of some amplification. We learn that stocks of this commodity have become somewhat reduced. They stood at the end of last month at 15,348 tons, or 1000 tons less than during the previous month, and 2000 tons less than at the corresponding date last year ago. In 1904, 4248 tons of tin were received from Australia to London, against 3000 tin in 1903. The average price of tin in 1904 was £126 13s 11d, against £119 3d in 1903, so that Australia's shipments last year were of the value of something like £540,000. The world's production of tin last year may be summarised as follows:—

	Tons.	Per Cent.	Changes From 1903.
Straits	56,657	63.7	I. 3,292
Banka and Billiton	14,628	15.9	D. 4,082
Australia	5,082	5.5	I. 705
Bolivia	9,200	10.0	D. 500
England	4,282	4.7	D. 18
Germany and Austria	100	.1	I. 25
Miscellaneous	135	.1	D. 668
Total	92,084	100.0	D. 668

The increase in 1903 was only .7 per cent.; that is, the production was practically stationary, notwithstanding the considerable increase in the Straits' output and the smaller, though proportionately large, gain in Australia. This was more than offset by the reduction in the Banka and Billiton sales and output, while the Bisgkep mines produced no tin during the year. In the United States no actual production of tin can be reported for 1904. The discoveries in the York Peninsula, in Alaska, still lack sufficient development work to prove their actual value. German official returns show a production of about 5000 tons of tin yearly in that country, but as this is almost entirely from foreign ores the metal is credited to the country where the ores were mined. There are also some 250 tons of pig tin produced yearly in Germany from tin scrap, and a small quantity is made in the same way in the United States. This, however, is not new metal. Consumption of tin during 1904 was approximately as follows:—

	Tons.	Per cent.
United States	38,500	40.6
Great Britain	15,898	16.8
Germany	14,832	15.7
France, Italy, Spain, Russia	17,920	18.9
Eastern Europe and South America	4,305	4.5
Eastern Asia	3,300	3.5
Total consumption	94,755	100.0

The following table shows the Bank of England figures, quotations for Consols and New South Wales 3 per cents., and money market rates and prices of the principal Australian commodities, in comparison with the figures for the years 1903 and 1904:—

	March 6, 1903.	March 4, 1904.	March 3, 1905.
	£	£	£
Coin and bullion	35,761,000	33,083,000	28,995,000
Circulation	28,564,000	27,985,000	27,593,000
Public deposits	12,654,000	11,117,000	15,101,000
Other deposits	42,705,000	41,943,000	41,586,000
Government securities	14,656,000	19,225,000	13,586,000
Other securities	22,995,000	25,714,000	29,629,000
Reserve of notes and coin	25,172,000	25,850,000	29,852,000
Percen. of reserve to liab	45.34	48.88	51.51
Bank rate of disc., p.c.	4	3	3
Market rate disc. p.c.	3½	2 3-16	2 1-8
Goschen's Consols	91¼	87½	91
N.S.W. 3's, last sale	80	84	88½
Silver, per oz.	27½d	26⅝d	27 3-16d
Brad. tops, 60's, common	23½	24d	24½d
Ditto, 60's, super	24d	24½d	25½d
Tin, per ton	124	124	132½
Lead, per ton	12 13-16	12 1-32	12½
Copper, per ton	63 3-8	57	66 5-16
Aus. mutton, per lb.	3 7-16d	2½d	—
Aus. mut. tallow, med.	31s 6d	27s 6d	25s 6d
Aus. butter, per cwt.	108s	90s	94s 6d

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FROZEN MEAT MARKET.

The Frozen Meat Trade Association's Smithfield Market quotations for the undermentioned classes of frozen meat are based on actual sales of not less than 100 carcases of mutton or lamb, or 25 carcases of beef of fair average quality. These quotations are not for selected lines, but for parcels fairly representative of the bulk of the shipments now on the market.

AUSTRALIAN MUTTON.

Crossbred and merino wethers, heavy (over 50lb), unchanged at 2½d; light (under 50lb), unchanged at 3¼d.

RIVER PLATE MUTTON.

Heavy (over 50lb), unchanged at 3¼d; light (under 56lb), unchanged at 3¾d.

NEW ZEALAND MUTTON.

Crossbred merino and maiden ewes, Canterbury, light (48lb to 56lb), unchanged at 4¼d; medium ditto (56lb to 64lb), unchanged at 4¼d; ditto heavy (64lb to 72lb), unchanged at 4d; Dunedin and South land (56lb to 64lb), unchanged at 4d; North Island (56lb to 64lb), ordinary, unchanged at 3 11-16d, and best unchanged at 3 15-16d.

NEW ZEALAND LAMBS.

Canterbury, light (28lb to 36lb), unchanged at 6½d; heavy (36lb to 42lb), 6d; Dunedin and Southland (28lb to 42lb), none offering; North Island (28lb to 42lb), unchanged at 5½d.

AUSTRALIAN LAMBS.

Australian lambs, first quality, ½d higher at 5½d; second quality, unchanged at 4½d.

RIVER PLATE LAMBS.

River Plate lambs, 4½d.

AUSTRALIAN BEEF.

Ox fores (160lb to 200lb), none offering; ox hinds (180lb to 220lb), none offering.

RIVER PLATE BEEF.

Ox fores (160lb to 200lb), 2 5-16d; ox hinds, 2 9-16d.

NEW ZEALAND BEEF.

Ox fores (160lb to 200lb), ½d lower at 2½d; ox hinds (180lb to 220lb), ½d lower at 3d.

KAURI.

The stock of kauri gum is 939 cases.

HEMP.

The hemp market is unchanged, £30 15s being quoted for January-March shipments.

RABBITS.

Rabbits are very scarce. Large New Zealands are selling at 18s to 20s, and Victorians at 17s to 18s per crate.

METALS.

Copper.—On spot, 68, a fall of 5-16; three months, 68¾.

Tin.—On spot, 130¾, a fall of 1¼; three months, 130, a fall of 1¼.

Lead.—Soft foreign, ¼ lower at £12 per ton.

LINSEED OIL.

Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s double-boiled linseed oil is quoted at 19d, a rise of ½d per gallon during the week.

SILVER.

Bar silver was quoted yesterday at 2a 4 3-16d per oz standard, an advance of 9-16d since Wednesday.

BREADSTUFFS.

The local markets were quiet during the week for both wheat and flour, and prices were unchanged. Holders of wheat, however, show very little disposition to do business at prices offering. Cables from London indicate an inactive market, with cargoes slow of sale, and Australian wheat for February-March offering at 22s 9d to 23s 3d.

IMPORT MARKET.

Business during the week was of normal proportions, with prices fairly well maintained generally, and a better tone in one or two lines. Good quality tens were somewhat firmer, and sold readily. Owing to a cabled advance from Calcutta, and a demand for local requirements, castor oil had good business up to 2s 6d, with holders firm. Cables from abroad indicate advances in canary seed and dates, and a scarcity of Trel. quarter sardines. Where prices have changed the trend has been upwards. Custom returns published in our columns on Saturday show that bonded stocks of dates are considerably heavier than last year, hence local holders should benefit by the advance. There was a continued demand for cornsacks during the week for export, and a few sales were reported. Advices from Calcutta show that the market is still firm. Referring to the development of the Calcutta mills during recent years the "Capital" states that the number has increased during the last 11 years from 26 to 38, and the amount of capital invested from £1,749,450 to £2,265,258; while further extensions are now in progress. The exports of bags, which numbered 97,415,800 in 1893-94, reached a total of 206,967,673 in 1903-4, and the exports of yarns and cloth have increased during the same period from 37,144,907 pieces to 552,320,434 pieces. There has also been an increasing demand for labour; and the number of persons employed has risen from 96,356 in 1892-3 to 122,989 in 1903-4. Mr. Shirley Tremearne, chairman of the Howrah Jute Mills Company, speaking of the probable effects of the expansion at a recent meeting of the company, said:—"We have at present ample labour, but how long this halcyon state will exist it is impossible to say. Large extensions are in progress, and when the demand for skilled labour becomes in excess of the supply, I fear that we shall feel the pinch. I have no fear of the ultimate result. The Bengal jute manufacturing industry will survive and come out on top, but we shall have a struggle before we get there. We send annually about 3½ million bales of jute and rejections to Europe and America, and so long as our exports of the raw fibre are so large there is ample room for the locally-manufactured article, for jute is a monopoly of Bengal, and our cloth and bags are steadily gaining a larger and larger footing in the markets of the world; the great difficulty will be in the supply and price of the raw material. Every new jute mill that goes up here accentuates the competition between the Bengal and European mills for the raw fibre. At the present moment jute is at famine prices."

Our London cables show that linseed oil is still advancing, the quotation being 19d, compared with 18¾d last week. This confirms private advices received during the week.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £2894. The principal items were:—Stimulants, £773; narcotics, £147; agricultural products and groceries, £456; apparel and textiles, £2927; metals and machinery, £285; oils, paints, and varnishes, £136; earthenware, cement, etc., £60; drugs and chemicals, £29; wood, wicker, and cane, £13; jewellery and fancy goods, £105; leather and rubber, £104; paper and stationery, £14; vehicles, £100; miscellaneous, £15; excise on spirits, £44; excise on beer, £61.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Frozen Meat Market.—Duigety and Co., Limited, report the receipt of the following telegram from their London house, dated 2nd instant:—"Current quotations for frozen meat are as follows:—New Zealand beef (hinds), 3d, fores 2½d; Australian beef, hinds 2½d, fores 2¼d; Canterbury mutton, 4½d; North Island mutton 3¾d to 4d; Australian mutton, 3¾d; prime Canterbury lamb, 6 3-16d to 6 7-16d; 3¾d; prime New Zealand lamb, 6d to 6¼d; prime Australian lamb, 4¾d. The demand has abated somewhat."

One of the largest cargoes ever loaded for South Africa has just been despatched by the steamer Argus, chartered by Messrs. Arthur May and Co. (says the "Argus"). The vessel loaded at Sydney, Geelong, and Melbourne, and her total shipments include 77,842 bags and 3006 sacks, together about 4176 tons, of flour; 150 tons wheat, 550 tons bran, 11,300 bales fodder, 200 tons sugar, and a quantity of jam, fruit, etc.

Butter Shipment.—The Aberdeen White Star liner Damascus, which sailed on Saturday, is taking 100 boxes of butter, shipped by H. Prescott and Co., for Durban; 9846 boxes of butter, through cargo, from Brisbane, of which 2900 boxes are for South African ports.

The following table gives the imports of wool into the United Kingdom during 1904:—

	1904.	1903.	1902.
Australasian	1,001,740	1,094,907	1,227,572
Cape of Good Hope	188,843	224,438	231,670
East India and Persian	158,600	129,685	108,598
German	7,068	4,029	4,486
Spanish	2,397	1,413	2,128
Portugal	11,587	13,877	10,633
Russian	9,550	10,772	12,861
Sundry	236,440	236,127	242,610
Total bales	1,610,826	1,715,379	1,818,428

At Barling Harbour on Saturday 68 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Saturday.

Quotation: Adelaide Steamship, £6 8s 6d.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

Quotations: Queensland Trustees, 4s 3d, 4s 7d; Queensland National Bank, 13s 6d, 13s 8d.

Alfred Shaw and Co., Townsville, £5, fully paid, 30s.

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

The Exchange sales to-day were:—Special Assets Trust, deposit receipts, 13s 4½d; Metropolitan Gas, £8 4s; Perkins' Brewery, 23s 6d; Melbourne Tram, 22s 10d; Silverton Tram, 6½s 6d; Bellambi Coal, 8s 3d.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

DEVONPORT (Tas.), Friday.

The steamer Melbourne sailed this night for Sydney with 3184 bags potatoes, 1847 bags oats, 217 bags turnips, 103 bags peas, 78 cases tomatoes.

The steamer Kakapo also sailed for Sydney with 11,980 bags potatoes, 2206 bags oats, 964 bags peas, 386 bags turnips, 46 bags tares.

Potatoes are quiet at £5 15s to £6 10s. Turnips, 60s to 70s.

LAUNCESTON, Sunday.

The steamer Oonah sailed from Hobart for Sydney on Saturday with 622 cases and 2021 half-cases fruit, 129 bags peas, 300 cases pulp, 687 jam, 764 desserts, 48 casks tallow.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Saturday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Nothing happened to-day to change the disposition of previous prices reported for produce. The egg market was cleared of stocks this morning, but quotations remained as before. At auction business was dull, but agents anticipated that, given propitious weather conditions, trade during the coming week should show great improvement.

Wholesale quotations were:

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon.—Best factory, flitches 6d to 6½d, middles 7½d to 8d, sides 6½d to 6¾d; York Castle, mild-cured, sides 6½d to 6¾d, flitches 6¾d to 6¾d, middles 7½d to 8d; Federal, sides 6¾d, flitches 6¾d, middles 7¼d; Empyrapple, sides 6¾d, flitches 6¾d, middles 7¼d; Clarenco, sides 6d, flitches 6½d; T. F. C. and L., sides 6¾d, flitches 6d, middles 7½d; Rex, flitches 5½d to 6d, middles 7½d, sides 6¼d lb; Rodalla, sides 6¾d, flitches 6d, middles 7½d. Hams: Colonial, 10d to 1s; Pineapple, 10½d; York Hams: Colonial, 10d to 1s; Pineapple, 10½d; York Castle, 9d; F. C. and L., 10d to 10½d; Rex, 10½d lb.

Butter.—Selected choice dry makes 9½d, prime 9d to 9½d, seconds 8½d to 8¾d, pastry makes 7d to 8d lb.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf 6d to 6¾d, soft new 5¼d, prime large 6d, inferior from 5½d; Kameruka Cheddar, 7d; Rodalla, 7d lb.

Eggs.—Northern, 10½d to 11d, few choice lots 1s; Southern, 1s to 1s 1d; new-laid suburban, 1s 2d to 1s 4d doz. Auction prices were: Case, 1s to 1s 2d; new laid, 1s 2½d to 1s 4d; choice suburban, 1s 8d; duck, 1s 3d to 1s 4½d.

POULTRY.

River: Hens 2s to 3s, chickens 1s 3d to 1s 6d, roosters 2s 6d to 3s, choice 3s 3d; guinea fowls, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; English ducks, 2s to 2s 6d; Muscovy ducks, 2s 6d to 2s 9d, drakes 3s; turkeys, hens 7s to 8s, gobblers, medium 12s to 13s, extra heavy 16s; geese, 3s 6d to 3s 9d pair.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Milling, 3s 4d to 3s 5d bus.

Flour.—City roller, £8 to £8 5s ton.

GAME.

Pigeons, common, 1s 2d to 1s 9d pair; rabbits, 5s, small 3s dozen pair.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran, 8½d; pollard, 10½d to 11d bus.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Redskins, £3 to £4 10s ton.

FEED-GRAIN MARKET.

Barley.—Cape, 2s 9d to 2s 10d bus.

Maize.—New crop, 2s 6d; Southern, 2s 8d to 2s 10d; Victorian, 2s 8d to 2s 10d bus.

Oats.—Melbourne: Algerian, 1s 10d to 2s. Tasmanian: White feed, 2s 6d to 2s 6d. Local: Prime Algerian, 3s 11d to 3s bus. Seed, 4s 7d to 4s 9d.

Peas.—Blue, 4s 7d to 4s 9d; grey, 3s 2d to 3s 4d bus.

Chickwheat.—Prime 2s to 2s 1d, medium smutty 2s 10d to 2s 11d bus.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—Choice green wheaten £3 10s 3d to £4, prime £3 5s to £3 10s, medium £2 12s 6d to £3 3s 6d, inferior from £2 3s 4d. Melbourne: Oaten £2 15s to £3 10s, wheaten £3 7s 6d to £3 15s. Adelaide: £3 10s to £3 15s ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime green £3 10s to £3 15s. Inferior rough £2 12s 6d to £3. At Redfern: Prime large £3 3s 4d, medium £2 18s 4d to £3, inferior £2 15s 3d ton.

Oaten Hay.—Melbourne: Hydraulic-pressed, £3 15s. Local: £3 to £3 3s 4d ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed: Tasmanian, £2. Local, £1 15s ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Onions.—Portarlington £12, New Zealand £11 10s ton.

Swede Turnips.—£4 ton.

Honey.—60lb tins prime extracted 13d to 2d, some choice lines 2¼d lb.

Lard.—Packets and small bladders 4d to 4½d, bulk 3½d to 3¾d lb.

Beeswax.—Dark 1s 1½d, prime clear 1s 2d to 1s 2½d lb.

Millet.—Prime short £22 10s to £24; prime hurl, £22 10s to £25; inferior, from £18 ton.

REDFERN SALES.

The total number of consignments submitted at auction at Redfern to-day was 80 truckloads. Even this moderate supply outreached by far the requirements of the buyers assembled, and sales proved very flat. Chaff prices were maintained on the former basis, but lucerne again showed depreciation in value, as also did wheat. Choice growers' wheaten chaff realised 3s 10d and 4s, while prime samples were plentiful but dull at from 3s 3d to 3s 6d, and choice oaten at 3s 4d per cwt. Medium sorts brought from 2s 9d to 3s, and inferior from 2s 2d to 2s 6d per cwt. Seventeen consignments of lucerne were unsold at auction. Prime lucerne in large bales met disposal at 3s 2d, medium at 2s 11d and 3s, and brown at 2s 7d per cwt. Oaten hay was sold at from 3s 5s to 3s 9d per cwt. A small lot of second quality wheat realised 3s 2d, prime chickwheat 2s 11d and 3s, and medium smutty 2s 8d per bus. Algerian oats were taken at from 1s 10½d to 2s, and inferior at 1s 3½d per bushel. Consignments of rye corn and barley failed to move. Potatoes offered brought from 6s 9d to 7s 4d per cwt.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. R. Hall and Son, J. Bridge and Co., H. M. Sutton and Co., Prescott, Limited, Dalgety and Co., J. Gray and Co., Sharpard, Harvey, and Co., Walker, Ellis and Co., Walker and Only, Wright, Heaton, and Co., Dent and Perry, Dalton Brothers, and the Farmers and Settlers' Co-operative Society.

The produce forward consisted of 50 truckloads, in the following proportions:—Chaff, 32 trucks; lucerne, 8; oaten hay, 3; straw, 1; wheat, 7; oats, 5; rye, 1; barley, 1; and potatoes, 1.

Consignments were disposed of as follow:—

Chaff.—From Trafalgar, Illabo, (5549) passed; F. W. M'Nickle, Harefield, (1603) passed, (2870) passed, (1522) passed; Everington, Dubbo, (9771) 2s 8d; F. Hastings, Bathurst, (5650) 3s 6d, (8389) 3s 6d; Joseph Pratley, (11330) passed; H. and A. Lucas, Coolamon, (10584) passed; Dalgety and Co., (9203) 3s 10d; A. Brunskill, Wagga, (11536) 4s, (12184) 4s; James Robinson, Murrumburrah, (11132) 2s 2d; Thomas Neville, Stockinbingal, (2703) passed, (11675) passed; Pittman, Spring Hill, (2283) passed, (11916) 3s 4d; Peak, Limited, Bathurst, (6196) 4s; G. Cameron, (7108) 2s 3d; A. J. Gunn, Wagga, (7792) passed; Gray and Co., Coolamon, (464) 2s 4d cwt; J. Reid, Woodstock, (1323) passed; Kirkman, (9042) passed; (839) passed; Jones, Lands, (12313) passed; Dr. W. Belling, Old Junee, (7813) passed; Rowston, Coolamon, (1315) passed; Cox Brothers, (2984) passed; E. A. Stinson, Coolamon, (1378) passed.

Lucerne.—From M'Kinnon, Moombi, (11470) 3s 2d; La Fauge Brothers, (9734) passed; Sullivan, Tintenbull, (5604) 2s 7d; Callaghan, Nemingha, (1841) 3s; Herdern, (12940) passed; Denham Brothers, Wallangarra, (11196) passed, (3869) 3s; Fulljames and White, Tamworth, (12353) 2s 3d cwt.

Oaten Hay.—From Ellis and Co., Amaroo, (7816) 2s 2d; G. Hood, Lyndhurst, (4179) passed, (3609) 2s cwt.

Bundle Straw.—From Aiken, Lyndhurst, (8081) passed, oaten hay, 2s 3d cwt.

Wheat.—From R. Abbott, Narromine, (3067) 2s 11d; ex Darling Harbour, (4779) 3s; W. Short and Co., Gunnedah, (4884) 2s 11d; W. H. and Co., Condobolin, (3530) 2s 8d bus; Black and Sons, Grenfell, (7110) passed; M'Spadden, Brundah

ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

PROPOSED TAX ON STALLIONS.

Two correspondents to this column recently revived the subject of improving the general run of horses by a more judicious selection of sires. The first letter on the subject suggested that a tax on stallions should be relied upon to restrict breeding from the many worthless brutes that are commonly used. In the succeeding letter another writer very wisely advocated the co-operative system in vogue in older countries. Agricultural societies, district committees, and landlords holding large estates have all helped to produce good stock by arranging to place good sires at the disposal of the farmers. It is a simple matter to arrange, and could be managed by any of our agricultural societies, or by groups of farmers joining on the co-operative principle and electing committees to select horses of proper stamp and breeding, thus preventing the use of animals whose sole recommendation is that they are cheap. A tax on stallions would doubtless weed out the horses standing at very low fees, since the owners of such horses could not afford to pay a high fee for registration.

When the question is thoroughly thought out, however, it becomes obvious that there are two awkward objections to the tax. It would certainly have a tendency to raise fees out of the reach of people desirous of breeding useful horses that do not sell at high figures, and it would also throw out of service some good sires, the fees for which are not high, because these horses have no great reputation. Although most of the very cheap horses travelling are poor stuff, there are many at very moderate figures which have proved themselves progenitors of excellent stock. Some horses from first-class families are not show animals, and there being no special means of impressing the public with their excellence only very small fees can be obtained for them. Yet these horses sometimes leave better stock behind them than others which exhibit a wealth of fashionable show points. A tax on stallions might strike some of these off the list, while on the other hand if sires were selected for various districts it is only reasonable to suppose that family and progeny would be the leading considerations which would guide the selectors.

From another point of view, any scheme which stops at the sire must leave much to be done in the interests of horse-breeding. It is accepted by the best authorities that the mare imprints her family characteristics most strongly on the progeny, and many old experienced breeders will look for good mares first of all, and then cast about to obtain a suitable sire. Some magnificent thoroughbreds have produced nothing exceptionally good, simply because they were mated with common dams. It must be obvious that if no regard whatever were paid to the quality of the mares sent to selected stallions the associations which aimed at improving the class of horses would be half-doing their work. The French Government keeps many valuable sires at its breeding establishments, which are available to small breeders at very low fees. Very high prices have been paid for English thoroughbreds and other great horses, yet it is stated that the results, so far as the general run of the stock is concerned, are very disappointing. The small breeders do not recognise the importance of breeding from mares of good family and sound constitution, therefore the excellence of the sires is largely discounted in the stock produced.

Draught stock may be taken as an example. A young well-bred Clydesdale coming from a long line of sound pullers and workers will go straight into the collar the first time he is harnessed, and walk away with his share of a plough like an old horse. In an emergency I have caught an unbroken Clydesdale gelding between two and three years old in the morning, and put it in a team in the afternoon. Such a youngster will do a horse's work until it is time to give it a spell. Of course, nobody would advocate giving a very young draught horse heavy pulling before its shoulders were set, but the fact that young pullers of good family are naturally qualified for the work to which they are bred illustrates the immense importance of intelligent selection. The same principle, naturally applies to all breeds, for there are bad and good strains in all. The American trotter, which promises to have a large influence on the character and style of our light harness horses, trots because trotting is its inherited pace, yet there are some families of trotters ten times more reliable than others. Money will not always obtain a good horse for the breeder, and though it is admitted that a tax on stallions would weed out a lot of undesirable sires, it is by no means certain that it would, of itself, bring about a marked improvement in the stock. More necessary is the founding of breeders' associations, which would not only select stallions, but would also endeavour to discourage haphazard breeding and to encourage production from mares of good constitution and proved families.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

At a council meeting of the society, which was held on Friday, Sir John See in the chair, tenders for the erection of a new pavilion near the poultry shed were considered, and that of Mr. S. Walsh was accepted. This new pavilion will be used by the Sheepbreeders' Association at their annual show and for the dog exhibits during the society's exhibition. Tenders were also accepted for important alterations to the dairy produce pavilion. A large number of entries have been received for the show, and the applications for space, etc., are exceedingly heavy.

FRUIT PESTS BILL.

CONFERENCE AT PARRAMATTA.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

Messrs. W. H. Allen (fruit expert) and Froggatt (Government Entomologist) visited Parramatta on Saturday afternoon for the purpose of conferring with the executive of the Fruitgrowers' Union on the desirability of having some mild form of legislation dealing with two of the most destructive fruit pests—the fruit fly and the codlin moth. Sometime back Mr. Jessep, M.L.A., introduced a bill embracing a much wider area, but the fruitgrowers of Central Cumberland considered it far too drastic, and they exhibited strong feelings in regard to it. However, there were many growers who recognised that something must be done, and, after feeling the pulse of the growers, it was thought that some mild form of legislation might be passed in regard to the moth and the fly.

Mr. Bruce Purser, in introducing Messrs. Allen and Froggatt to the meeting, said the matter had been considered a good deal, and the executive had decided that it would be best to confer with the officers of the department to see if something definite could be arrived at.

Mr. J. C. Hunt said the fruitgrowers generally would be agreeable to accept mild legislation, but if any attempt was made to force upon them a bill like that introduced by Mr. Jessep there would be strong opposition. In Tasmania they had a bill dealing with the codlin moth, and it embraced a clause making it compulsory for the fruitgrower to destroy all his affected fruit. At the present time in this State lots of affected fruit was going to waste, spreading the pest. Mr. Froggatt, in an article in the press lately, had stated that it was only the cushion scale that was found on the bush trees. He was there to prove that the bush trees did harbour all of the diseases which affected the fruit trees. His experience was that they had more white scale when surrounded by the scrub than they had now. They could also find plenty of red scale in the bush. However, he thought the best medicine for white scale, red scale, and black bug was to put plenty of medicine at the foot of the trees. They would get rid of more disease by manuring than by any other process. The fly and the moth must be dealt with, but he was not in favour of going any further with legislation. He believed the growers would accept legislation dealing with these pests. Then, if they found good results, they might have a Red Scale Bill. Talking about remedies, it was all very well for the officers to say there was no danger. For melanose scale Mr. Benson had told him to use sulphur. Well, he bought several casks of sulphur, and used it. Then he consulted Dr. Cobb. That gentleman said, "It is a fungus." The speaker then asked, "Is sulphur any good for it?" And Dr. Cobb replied, "You might just as well spit upon it. The only thing for it is to spray with Bordeaux mixture." They would like to have their trees clean, but all of them did not have the money to spend in experimental remedies. It was a serious matter to the fruitgrower, and to say to a man "You must" was asking an impossibility.

Mr. Luke Gallard said in both the case of the fly and the codlin moth they had a remedy that was safe in its application, but what they wanted was to protect the industrious grower against the negligent. For the fruit fly they should be compelled to destroy all affected fruit, and for the moth they should be compelled to bandage. This would mitigate the evil. In regard to neglected orchards, there was no occasion for a clause like that, for if they were compelled to bandage the trees they would soon find that the cheapest way of dealing with neglected orchards would be to root them up. Then, as regards the penalty clause, which enabled officers administering the bill to condemn fruit in the markets and inflict a fine, it would be sufficient if there were a clause enabling them to condemn the package if a third of it was affected. That, he thought, would be a sufficient safeguard. If there was a fine for sending affected fruit away, no grower would send it. He was not prepared to go any further than that. As regards scale, they had not remedies that were proved to be sure in effect and safe in application to warrant them in legislating in regard thereto.

Mr. Bray said that what they required was an act to enable them to get the Government brand. Without an Act they could never get that warranty.

Mr. Purser said that the question of condemning affected fruit was a big one. He had seen fruit from the Government farms as badly affected as any (Mr. Allen could bear him out in that), and if the Government farms could not guard against sending affected fruit to the market, how could they do so?

Mr. J. Franks said he favoured a bill for dealing with the fly and the moth.

Mr. W. H. Allen said so far as the fruit fly was concerned, he must say that no remedy had yet been found. But if they all picked up and destroyed the affected fruit they must get rid of a great deal of it. At Bathurst they had succeeded in keeping most of the fruit clean. They sprayed the trees with arsenate of soda, and bandaged. They had splendid apple-growing districts, as good as anywhere, and he thought they might canture some of the trade. At present the apple growers were discouraged. He felt that a bill would help them.

Mr. Froggatt said he agreed with Mr. Allen. They must try and combat the fly and the moth. The fly they had was not the same as the fly of the olden time. He put that down to the precaution taken in regard to the importation of the banana. They had, by this means, nearly got rid of that fly, and then they got the Mediterranean fly. There was no remedy for a fly that laid its eggs under the skin of the fruit—absolutely no remedy but to pick up and destroy the affected fruit. They must have compulsory legislation to deal with it. By means of second-hand cases it spread all over the country. It would be well for peach and apple growers to have a bill similar to that of Tasmania. In Ryde districts they first had the fly in the peaches, and then because that pest was not destroyed it took to the persimmons that were allowed to rot on the trees. Then, from them it took to the mandarins, and so the cycle took them round the season. In the fruit shops at the present time there were lots of fruit sold that was detrimental to the public health, and it was a matter for the Board of Health to deal with. Mr. Hunt had referred to scale, arguing that the same scale that was on the orchard trees was in the bush. That was not so, unless the orchards were not far away. The scale went from the orchards to the bush.

At this stage a number of twigs gathered from the bush, and said to be affected with red scale, white louse, waxy scale, etc., were exhibited. Mr. Froggatt said that no doubt they were scale and louse, but quite distinct from those which attacked the fruit trees.

Mr. Purser said that many of the scale pests were in existence long befort orchards were in the vicinity.

Mr Gallard said the scale on the blackthorne would attack citrus trees.

Mr. Froggatt: Yes.

Mr. Gallard: And yet we were previously told that it would not. Now we find that it does.

Mr. Hunt, in moving a vote of thanks to Messrs. Froggatt and Allen, said he believed if the department did not go to excess, an Act would be acceptable. At first he felt inclined to attack Mr. Froggatt in regard to his remarks in the press, but he was glad to hear his explanation.

Mr. Bray seconded the motion for the vote of thanks.

In supporting, Mr. W. B. Smith remarked that Mr. Froggatt had stated that no spray was effective for the fruit fly. In Queensland, on trees that had been four times sprayed with M'Dougall's mixture there was no fly.

Mr. Froggatt: There may not have been any about. You can get statements of that sort all over the country.

Mr. Blood said he would like to know whether the proposed bill was to be enforced by an army of inspectors, and, if so, who was to pay—the Government or the grower? If the grower, how was the tax to be apportioned. These were points the Government might well give some information about.

Mr. Hunt: There is no necessity for inspection in the markets. A man cannot for certain pick a dozen fruit, even for a show.

Mr. Purser said he did not think the growers were as bad as they had been painted. He had had large experience in exporting, and in the season, out of three or four thousand boxes, not one box had been condemned. But he took good care what he sent, and he destroyed the damaged fruit. They were holding their own with any other section in the State.

Mr. Froggatt, in acknowledging the vote, said the bill should be an expense on the general public, and it should be administered by the department, as in other States. In Victoria they had an army of inspectors—nearly all ex-schoolmasters. For the bill proposed there would not be any need for such an army. The bill proposed by the department would not be of a drastic nature. None of the former bills submitted had emanated from the department, and he thought the growers, in their own interests, might well adopt the bill which it was proposed to submit.

PARRAMATTA ORCHARD NOTES.

Some good showers fell in the fruit districts on Thursday, but the rain was very scattered. At Baulkham Hills half an inch fell in 20 minutes. On Friday the rain was more general and copious. A great deal of good will be done to the citrus crop, and the oranges should now be of good quality. The crop all round will be fair as regards quality. The orchards are all looking well, and remarkably so at Galston and Kenthurst. Lemons have gone up in price, and those growers who cured good quantities instead of sacrificing them on the glutted market are now getting very satisfactory returns, and are being well repaid for their trouble. At the Central Cumberland Show the exhibit of dried fruits from the Hawkesbury Agricultural College was a splendid object lesson for the growers. They were greatly interested in the exhibit, and many of them seemed to realise that this branch of the industry must be developed if fruit-growing is to prosper. Another good exhibit was the candied lemon peel shown by the Fruitgrowers' Co-operative Jam and Refrigerating Company. A market has been found for all that the company has manufactured.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

ALBURY.—The total stock crossings in February from Victoria to New South Wales were 4151 sheep, 106 cattle, and 153 horses; and from New South Wales to Victoria, 45,788 sheep, 705 cattle, and 238 horses.

CAMPBELLTOWN.—A record number of entries have been received in connection with the three-days' show commencing on the 14th inst.

GUNDAGAI.—A large area of the country the bush fires burnt out is showig a thick growth of weeds and thistles.

GERMANTON.—The long spell of dry weather is being keenly felt, and rain is now badly needed. Many residents are carting water for household purposes. The roads are in a bad state, caused by the traffic of wheat teams. About 20,000 bags of wheat are now stacked at the railway siding, and large quantities are still arriving daily. The majority of the farmers are holding in expectation of the market advancing. Graziers in the burnt-out portion of the district are still removing stock to other districts for grass.

GLEN INNES.—At a meeting of the Stonehenge branch of the Farmers and Settlers' Association it was unanimously decided "that the establishment of a State land bank was required in the interests of the farmers and settlers throughout the State." The following resolution was also carried.—"That in consideration of the low prices of produce the freights of railways should be reduced, to facilitate farmers residing at long distances from the market." At the monthly meeting of the Wellington Vale branch of the Farmers and Settlers' Association the secretary was instructed to write to the general secretary strongly objecting to compulsory fencing with rabbit-proof netting. That method, it was stated, had not proved successful in keeping down rabbits in the Western districts, and it would place the men on the land in an awkward position.

LISMORE.—The gate receipts at the late show amounted to £234. The last of the Queensland visitors left to-day. The Hon. J. T. Bell, Minister for Lands, during his visit was interrogated by a number of people here desirous of knowing the conditions of Crown land selection, and the situation of the land being thrown open. The Minister said that by May or June 50,000 acres of land in Northern Queensland will be made available for selection. It is admirably adapted for dairying. He said also that his Government could give most liberal terms. A further bill is to be introduced next session which will give the Minister discretion to let people of small means have land the first year or two without the payment of a deposit or survey fee.

MORUYA.—The Broulee Pastures Protection Board has paid for the scalps of 629 wallabies, 306 bandicoots, and 14 native dogs. No further payment will be made for wallabies. During January the Moruya factory treated 55,22: gallons of milk at tests of 3.6 to 3.8, equal to 54,919 standard gallons; 32,116lb cheese were marketed and sold. The sum of £700 will be distributed amongst suppliers, who will be paid at the rate of 5d per standard gallon.

WAGGA.—The Ganmain Progress Association has decided to call a mass meeting to protest against the decision of the local land board with regard to the lease of the Ganmain Forest Reserve to the Scottish-Australian Investment Company.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

TARALGA SHOW.

GOULBURN, Friday.

The annual show at Taralga which commenced yesterday, suffered greatly by rain. The attendance yesterday was fair, but a heavy hailstorm in the afternoon was followed by rain and judging in the ring had to be abandoned. This morning rain again fell, and it was decided to abandon the day's proceedings, the awards in the stock classes being held over. The number of exhibitors showed a considerable increase, and viewed as a whole the exhibition was good. The following awards were made:—

Berkshire boar: H. Sinclair, 1; A. L. Duncan, 2. Sow: W. T. and H. C. Badgery, 1; A. L. Duncan, 2. Sow and litter: J. Baxter, 1; H. Sinclair, 2. Poultry: H. Sinclair secured nearly all the awards. Farm Produce.—Milling wheat: Spicer Bros., 1; A. L. Duncan, 2. Oats: C. Plumb, 1; A. L. Duncan, 2. Oaten hay, truss: A. L. Duncan, 1; Spicer Bros., 2. Oaten hay, sheaf: Plumb, 1; Spicer Bros., 2. Wheaten hay: Plumb, 1. Chaff: Plumb, 1. Potatoes: J. White, 1. Onions: H. Davy, 1; J. Kadwell, 2. Collection of vegetables: J. Kadwell, 1. Collection of vegetables (amateurs): J. Francis, 1; Plumb, 2. Collection of farm produce: Dunstan, 1; Plumb, 2. Table butter: Mrs. Cooper, sen., 1; Mrs. Cooper, jun., 2. Private separator butter: Spicer Bros., 1; J. Hattle, 2. Green feed for winter fodder: E. Miller, 1; T. Fitzgibbon, 2. J. Kadwell took nearly all the prizes for vegetables.

ROBERTSON A. AND P. SOCIETY.

SECOND DAY.

ROBERTSON, Friday.

The show was continued to-day. Heavy rain fell all the morning, which greatly interfered with the attendance. The following additional awards were made:—Pony, 13 14 hands: A. M. Smith, 1; James Walker, 2. Pony, under 13 hands: James Walker, 1; H. A. Johnstone, 2. Pair buggy horses: T. W. Lackey, 1; J. Chittick, 2. Pair ponies: R. B. Hall, 1. Pair ponies, under 13 hands: H. O. Carter, 1. Gent.'s hackney: A. T. Maynes, 1; C. McGlinchy, 2; J. H. Warby, 3. Lady's hackney: J. H. Warby, 1; F. Hamilton, 2; Moses Jones, 3. Buggy horse: G. Gorman, 1; H. Wilson, 2. Hunter's Plate: Chittick's Euchre, 1. District hunters: J. Brooker, 1; J. H. Warby, 2; G. McDonagh, 3. Family buggy horse: James Walker. Trotter: James Walker, 1; G. Tate, 2. Weight-carrying hack: C. McGlinchy. High jump: J. Chittick, 1; E. Vance, 2. Lady rider: Mrs. Elliott, 1; Miss Walker, 2. Pony, driven: George Wills, 1; W. Graham, 2. All-round horse: G. Gorman. Boy rider: J. Creazen, 1; Selby Clarke, 2. Girl rider: Miss Murial Elliott, 1; Miss Woods, 2. Walking horse: John Haddin. Wood-chopping: H. Cook, 1; Thomas Ebbs, 2.

PORT MACQUARIE.

PORT MACQUARIE, Saturday.

The annual show was opened on Thursday by Mr. R. Davidson, M.L.A. The weather was cloudy, and during the day a number of showers fell. The attendance on Thursday was about 500. On Friday the weather was showery, but about 2000 persons attended. There was a large entry, but the severe drought and hot weather had a prejudicial effect on the quality of the exhibits of produce. Cattle exhibits were particularly good. The principal awards were:—

Cattle.—Ayrshire bull over 3yrs: R. Davidson, 1; W. Trotter, 2. Bull under 3yrs: James Garnack. Bull under 2yrs: R. Davidson, 1; G. Brandon, 2. Champion bull: R. Davidson, 1. Cow: G. Brandon, 1; R. Davidson, 2. Heifer: R. Davidson, 1; J. M'Anherney, 2. Champion: G. Brandon. Dairy bull, 3yrs: J. Healey, 1; J. Garnack, 2. Cow, ditto: G. Brandon, 1; J. Healey, 2. Bull under 2yrs: J. Healey. Cow, ditto: W. Brandon, 1; D. McLaren, 2. Bull under 2yrs: G. Brandon, 1; W. H. Brandon, 2. Heifer, ditto: A. D. Dawes, 1; W. H. Brandon, 2. Bull under 1yr: E. Harriott, 1; A. D. Dawes, 2. Heifer, ditto: J. Healey, 1; D. McLaren, 2. Three dairy cows: J. Healey, 1; E. Harriott, 2. Champion dairy heifer under 2yrs: R. Davidson. Bull, cow, and progeny: R. Davidson. Durham bull: G. Brandon. Bull and heifer: Davidson. Champion dairy cow: G. Brandon. Milking cow, 12 hours' milk: G. Brandon, 1, his cow giving 28lb of milk, testing 3.1.

Horses.—Draught stallion: H. Coombes. Hacks: P. J. O'Neill.

Buggies and Carts.—O. C. Ochs practically won everything in this section.

W. H. Brandon and Harry Walters were the principal winners in the pig section.

LAW NOTICES.

MONDAY, MARCH 6.

SUPREME COURT.

Term List.—District Court appeal, Lorimer v Slade (part heard). New trial motions: Sutherland v City Finance Company, Limited, M'Naughton v Paterson, same v same, Dunston v Walker and others, Brown v Brown.

In Chambers.—At 9.30 a.m.: The Colonial Finance Mortgage and Investment and Guarantee Co-operation v Troup (Harwood, garnishee), foreign attachment.

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary: Jackson v Anderson, 10.30 a.m.; in re Gents, exparte F. McAuliffe, 10.45 a.m.; exparte Wark (prohibition), 11 a.m.; Pratt v Street and others, 11.30 a.m.

Before the Chief Clerk.—Dalley v Dalley (Dalley correspondent), 10.15 a.m.; Lucas and another v Jenkins, 10.30 a.m.; Barlow v Lambert, 11 a.m.

Notice.—It is hereby intimated that during the present week all non-contentious matters in Chambers will be aken by Mr. Justice Cohen, and all contentious matters in Public Chambers will be taken by Mr. Justice Pring.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before his Honor the Probate Judge, in No. 1 Jury Court, at 10 a.m.—Motions for probate and administration, motions to pass accounts and for commission, motions for sale of real estate, and the following miscellaneous motions, viz.:—Robert Geelan, for rule absolute; and Elizabeth Rod, for payment out. Before the Deputy Registrar.—To pass accounts: Sir Robert Wisdom, 10; Donald Stewart, 10.30; Nicholas Davison, 11; F. R. White, 11.30; — Wilson, 12; W. K. Bate, 12.30; Elizabeth Becker, 2.30 p.m. Before the Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: John M'Carthy, to tax costs. At 12 noon: J. F. O'Brien, for directions.

Before the Master in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Minister for Works v Blanchfield, to approve of investment.

Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Ex parte Fox and L. P. Act, to tax costs. At 2 p.m.: O'Connell v Carroll, to tax costs.

Before the Chief Clerk in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: South Centennial Colliery Company, to pass accounts.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 11 a.m.—Creditors' petitions: Harris Cohen, trading as Evers affl Cohen, v J. J. Ryan; Dan: Harries v James Corel Rankin. Certificate applications: Arthur Evans Martin and Frances Mary Martin, trading as M'Intyre, ex parte Arthur Evans Martin; Robert Gray; John Henry Weber. Single meetings: Annie Rose, Thomas William Coulson, Robert Cunningham. Public examination: Assigned estate of Bernard Goldman and Abraham Falstein, trading as Goldman and Falstein. Examination under section 80. Annie Rose, John Murphy. Before the Chief Clerk.—At 10.30 a.m.: Taxation of official assignee's costs, F. A. R. Peters, S. Fox.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Before the President.—Summonses under 8, 12.—At 10 a.m.—For judgment: Hairdressers and Wigmakers' Employers' Union v A. E. Young, same v J. N. Callagher, same v A. H. Young, same v T. C. Wellings. Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Service Association v E. S. Reardon (part heard). United Tobacco Operatives of New South Wales v J. Warton; same v A. Redfern; same v S. Marcean. Butchers' Shop Employees' Union v P. O'Neil. Operative Bakers' Association v J. Mullane. United Labourers' Protective Association v S. Lewis; same v C. Lambert, same v F. Taylor, same v T. Redman, same v. L. Foran, same v. J. M'Donnell, same v. J. Drummond.

Before the President and Members.

At 11.30 a.m.—Summonses for penalty: Tailoresses' Union of New South Wales v N. Jacobs, same v same, same v Carter and Kelly, same v same, same v L. Quint.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray.—At 11.30 a.m.: Logan v Purcell, Jones and another v Lenton, Price v Callaway, same v Lynch, Parker v Windred, Benjamin v Bouse, Uther and another v Isaacs, Barsby v Arnold and others.

Note.—The list will be called over punctually at 11.30 a.m.

Before the Registrar in No. 2 Court.—At 10.30 a.m.: Mortgage, Loan, and Finance Company of Australia Limited, v Montagu.

METROPOLITAN QUARTER SESSIONS.

Elliner Brown, using an instrument, etc.; Charles Grant, bigamy; William Davis, breaking and entering and stealing.

ROYAL MINT.

Following is an abstract of transactions of the Sydney branch of the Royal Mint for the periods mentioned:—

Description	Particulars	Feb., 1903. Fine Gold. oz.	Since 1st Jan. Fine Gold. oz.
Gold received for Coinage—	New S. W.	12,395.49	44,786.00
	Queensland	28,118.97	75,208.85
	New Z'land	6,364.32	25,023.86
	Victoria	—	—
	South. Aust.	—	—
	Tasmania	3,293.81	3,295.07
	West. Aust.	12.02	25.32
	New Guinea	1,991.26	2,388.53
	Other C'tries	—	—
	Coin	13.30	13.30
	Total	52,189.77	100,745.74
Gross value of the above		£ s d 221,690 17 10	£ s d 983,544 13 0
Gold coin and gold bullion issued—	Sovereigns	210,000 0 0	888,000 0 0
Coin	Half-sov'ns	—	—
Bullion		90,219 16 8	160,529 17 5
Total		300,219 16 8	548,529 17 5
Silver bullion issued		—	—
New silver coin issued		—	—
New bronze c'n issued		140 0 0	140 0 0
Worn silver coin withdrawn from circulation		—	—

STEEL AND IRON.

LOCAL MANUFACTURE.

ENCOURAGING PROSPECTS.

FUTURE POSSIBILITIES.

NEW SOUTH WALES AS A STEEL AND IRON PRODUCER.

"We are now advertising in the Commonwealth for tenders for the manufacture within this State of steel and iron, to meet the requirements of the various Government departments during a period of seven years."

The above remark was made on Saturday by the Minister for Works, Mr. Lee, to a "Herald" representative, whilst discussing the prospects of a successful issue to the offer made by the Government. "We have also," added the Minister, "sent to the Acting Agent-General copies of the conditions attaching to the offer, as well as a pamphlet giving full particulars regarding the iron ore, coal, and limestone deposits of New South Wales, with general information as to notable deposits of iron ore in the other Australian States. Advertisements inviting tenders for the manufacture here of steel and iron during a period of seven years will also be inserted in the leading English, American, and Continental newspapers. I am obtaining the necessary information to enable the officers of the Works Department to analyse the tenders, so as to be able to decide whether or not the State would be justified in accepting the tender that presents the most favourable terms. I am glad to say that the representatives of large firms and companies are applying for copies of the conditions and descriptive pamphlet, with the view of sending them to their principals in England, Amercia, and on the Continent. Considerable colonial interest is also being taken in the matter."

PROSPECTS OF THE INDUSTRY.

The opinion is expressed in commercial circles that New South Wales will gain immensely if the offer of the Government results in the establishment of steel and iron producing works within her boundaries. It is believed that once the industry is established, and the quality of the product brought up to the standard of that turned out by the English, American, or Belgian factories, we may look forward confidently to the time when New South Wales, with her magnificent coal and iron ore deposits, will become the steel and iron producer for the Commonwealth, including New Zealand. From 1898 to 1902, the total value of steel and iron imports into the Commonwealth was £2,377,533 per year, or a total of £9,510,132 in the five years. This is exclusive of wire netting, pipes, and machinery, which would run to another £2,000,000 a year.

As a matter of fact, if the value of the machinery imported during those five years is added to the steel and iron imports, the annual value of the three articles entering the Commonwealth was £4,517,144, or the enormous total of £18,068,576 in the period stated. It is difficult to separate the imports on behalf of the Government from those made by private firms, but it may be stated that approximately the Governments of the different States imported one-third the steel, iron, and machinery, or £6,022,862 worth in the five years. It follows, therefore, that if, in a spirit of Federal unity, the Governments of the other States undertook to secure their supplies of steel and iron from this State, the new industry would be assured of a large output from the very start.

But if, at the start, the successful tenderer will have to rely solely on the orders given by the State departments of New South Wales, supported by the stipulation in every public tender that the contractor must use locally made steel and iron, let us see what will approximately be the demand made upon the projected steel and iron works. Here are some interesting figures of the imports of New South Wales from 1898 to 1902.—

	Bar and Rod.	Pig Iron.	Plate and Sheet.	Rails.
1898	£90,362	£36,872	£45,615	£51,723
1899	88,795	34,780	52,820	87,981
1900	128,819	61,977	86,496	156,713
1901	128,018	34,716	61,466	296,788
1902	116,903	27,185	86,964	161,110
Total	£526,397	£195,529	£333,303	£746,315

If we include scrap iron, galvanised iron, and pipes, all of which could be turned out from local works, we find that they would have the opportunity of meeting a portion at least of future requirements on the following basis:—

	Scrap Iron. £	Galvanised. £	Pipes. £
1898	13,118	103,198	78,654
1899	14,271	303,946	115,869
1900	20,330	277,907	136,030
1901	23,021	215,893	122,971
1902	18,677	244,724	126,004
Total	£90,017	£1,205,758	£577,528

Supposing the day should arrive when the establishment of the primary industry of manufacturing steel and iron was based on such a sound and enduring foundation that there was a possibility of producing various descriptions of articles from our steel and iron, the opportunity would be offered to cater for some of the following import trade:—

	Wire (Plain). £	Wire (Barbed). £	Wire Netting. £
1898	102,345	19,230	24,792
1899	138,552	20,865	5,479
1900	136,227	24,653	9,065
1901	98,120	54,256	10,000
1902	90,766	39,125	46,731
Total	£566,110	£157,295	£96,067

REQUIREMENTS OF STATE DEPARTMENTS.

Owing to the state of the finances, railway and tramway construction has practically ceased in this State, and in view of the demand for economy in public expenditure, there is very little prospect of a vigorous railway and tramway construction policy being reverted to for some years to come. Thus it is only natural to expect that the demand by the Railway Commissioners for rails will fall very far short of what it was during the five years from 1898 to 1902. During that period the import of rails was:—

	Tons.
1898	10,694
1899	19,280
1900	38,790
1901	40,786
1902	20,805
Total	122,735

A glance at the above figures gives some idea of the extent to which railway and tramway construction was carried out during the five years in question. Seeing, however, that there are 3406 miles of railways and tramways in New South Wales, there will always be a considerable demand for rails for renewal purposes. Roughly speaking, each mile of single line of railway absorbs 100 tons of rails, and the life of a rail is set down at 30 years.

Amongst the State services that will make constant demands upon the successful tenderer for the manufacture of steel and iron will be the following:—Railways and tramways, river works, water supply and drainage, roads and bridges, Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Hunter River District Board, Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, and Government docks and workshops. In addition to the above, the police, State charitable institutions, and Education Departments are administered by the Government. Hence it will be seen that in entering into a contract to supply the Government requirements for steel and iron for seven years the tenderer will have a large field before him, apart from the opportunity he will have of competing for the requirements of private firms. Then there is the prospect of developing a large trade with the other States of the Commonwealth, and also with New Zealand, which at present draw supplies of steel and iron from foreign countries.

OUR IRON ORE DEPOSITS.

Coming now to the crux of the whole problem—the facilities offered by the Commonwealth for the establishment of the steel and iron manufacturing industry in New South Wales—we find that the iron ore, coal, and limestone deposits of this State place it in a very favourable position for becoming the home of the steel and iron industry of the Commonwealth. It is estimated there are 39,000,000 tons of iron ore in sight at Cadia and Carcoar. Of that quantity between 4,000,000 and 10,000,000 tons are free from objectionable proportions of phosphorus, copper, and sulphur, and suitable for the manufacture of steel by the cheaper acid process. The lodes are essentially hematite, with a small admixture of other ores. A deposit of very pure magnetic ore has been discovered at Broula, eight miles from the Harden-Blayney railway. It is estimated that at least 100,000 tons of ore are in sight. At Queanbeyan a large deposit of pure magnetic ore occurs about 170 miles from the Illawarra coalfields, and it is estimated there are 1,000,000 tons in view. Manganiferous iron ores, and the richer manganese ores, such as Pyrolusite and Wad, can be obtained in considerable quantities in the Mudgee and Bathurst districts. The Carcoar iron ore contains from .5 to 1.5 per cent. of manganese, and the deposit includes pockets of rich manganese ores.

DEPOSITS IN OTHER STATES.

It is quite possible that just as the English steel and iron manufacturer has been compelled to import a certain proportion of ore from Andalusia, in Spain, in order to make up for a metallic deficiency in the English ores, so it is just possible that in order to produce steel and iron of the best quality here we may have to seek a certain percentage of ore in some of the other States in the Commonwealth. And what are the prospects of being able to supply our wants in that respect? Very good, indeed. Take Tasmania, for instance. On the Blythe River, near the port of Burnie (North Coast), is a large deposit of what is described by the Tasmanian Government Geologist as a very pure hematite. That officer states that a large proportion of the ore is suitable for the manufacture of steel by the cheaper acid processes. He estimates that from the water level upwards the deposit contains from 17,000,000 to 23,000,000 tons of marketable ore. The average metallic iron contents are stated to be from 60 to 64 per cent. At Beaconsfield another deposit of 5,000,000 tons has been located. In South Australia, the Iron Knob and Iron Monarch are important deposits of iron. They are being worked for fluxing purposes by the Broken Hill Proprietary Company. The ore available is estimated at 20,000,000 tons, and analyses show the metallic contents to range from 54.47 to 60.08 per cent. The iron ore deposits at Iron Island, Stannage Point, and Long Island, on the Queensland coast, near Rockhampton, are of some importance. They are estimated to contain 2,500,000 tons, the metallic contents of which vary from 60 to 64.7 per cent. Enormous deposits of magnetite are also said to occur at Kangaroo Hills, 60 miles west of Townsville.

COAL, COKE, AND LIMESTONE RESOURCES.

It is scarcely necessary to say anything regarding the coal and coke resources of the State. They will more than respond to any demand from the manufacturer of steel and iron. As to the limestone deposits of New South Wales, they are exceedingly large and valuable, and widely distributed over the country. By far the greater number of known deposits are situated in the eastern and central portions of the State. This is, however, merely a result of the fact that in those districts there is a much greater exposure of rock than in the case of the western country, covered as it is to a large extent by post-tertiary deposits of soil that form widespread plains.

LOCOMOTIVE AGITATION.

MEETING AT BALMAIN.

A public meeting was held on Saturday night, at the corner of Darling and Beattie streets, Balmain, for the purpose of protesting against the further importation of locomotives into the State. There was a good attendance, and the chair was occupied by Mr. Samuel Kirby, who, with the other speakers, addressed the assemblage from Mr. Williams's balcony. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Iron trades of New South Wales.

The chairman maintained that the State should manufacture its own locomotives. The iron trades generally were at one on this point, and they felt that the time had arrived when they should speak out on the matter, and that was the reason they had arranged a series of meetings. They had been supported by the press up to a certain point, but when the crucial moment came the press had deserted them. If the present Government did not comply with their wishes they should take such steps as would result in their being replaced by other men who would do so.

Mr. D. Sullivan moved.—"That in the best interests of the people of this State the locomotives required by them should be manufactured within the State." There were many men out of employment at the present time, and if the locomotives required were made within the State it would not only relieve the stress in that direction, but benefit the country generally. He failed to see how they could benefit New South Wales by spending £100,000 for locomotives in another country when the work could be equally well done here, even if it were at a little more.

Mr. S. Johnson seconded the motion. As far as the manufacture of locomotives and iron shipbuilding was concerned, he said we had retrograded, and as long as the people remained quiescent the suicidal policy of sending to other countries for what we could make ourselves would be continued. He had while walking round the wharfs seen boilers being landed from New York, and other ironwork from different ports, which, if made here, would have kept the trade going for three months. (A voice: For 12 months.) Where was the use of training our sons, of sending them to the Technical College, and of otherwise equipping them for the battle of life, if after all they could not get employment? He strongly urged that the State should give the manufacture of locomotives a trial—let them get the industry started—and he was convinced that ultimately they would be able to do the work quite as cheaply and as well as outsiders.

The motion was carried.

Mr. H. Connell moved,—"That this meeting protests against any further importation of locomotives." The motion was seconded by Mr. W. Webb, and carried.

EMPLOYEES' PICNICS.

MESSRS. G. AND C. HOSKINS, LIMITED.

THE IRON INDUSTRY.

The ninth annual picnic of the employees of the Enterprise Iron Works, controlled by G. and C. Hoskins, Limited, was held at Cabarita on Saturday, under pleasant weather conditions. The steamer Kia-Ora conveyed the excursionists to the pleasure resort. An interesting programme of athletic sports, including dancing and tugs of war, engaged attention, and the spacious pavilion was in capital order for the dancers.

Mr. J. W. Langston presided at the banquet, and apologised for the absence of Mr. C. Hoskins, who had been called away to Western Australia on business. He also welcomed Mr. G. Hoskins and his family back from a tour of the world. After the loyal toast, Mr. J. Somerville proposed "The Firm," and paid a high tribute to the ability and energy of the founders of the business.

Mr. G. Hoskins responded, and narrated some of his experiences while travelling. He said that the Japanese-Russo war had broken out while he was in Japan, and he was interested to see how the Japanese handled their war preparations. They took the war on as a go-ahead firm would handle a big contract, which they intended to carry

CASUALTIES.

OVERCOME BY GAS.

A labourer named Patrick Halloran, 50 years of age, had a narrow escape from being suffocated by gas at Pyrmont on Friday evening. He was employed by the Australian Gaslight Company, and was walking along Pyrmont Bridge-road, where he noticed an escape of gas from a trench. Halloran secured some tools and in endeavouring to repair the leakage was evidently overcome by the fumes. Constable Sinclair found him lying in the trench in an unconscious condition. The officer removed him to the Sydney Hospital, where he was admitted for treatment. He subsequently regained consciousness. Halloran resides at Glebe-road, Glebe.

A LABOURER'S SUICIDE.

A verdict of suicide was returned at an inquest held on Friday on the body of Thomas Henry Brown, a labourer, who cut his throat with a razor at Paul-street, Balmain, on Thursday. He was stated to have been in bad health for some time prior to his death.

YOUNG WOMAN'S DEATH.

In connection with the sudden death of a young woman named Kate O'Donnell early on Saturday morning, a post-mortem examination was made of the body, when it was ascertained that death had resulted from natural causes.

FALL FROM A TRAM.

John Burton, a Surry Hills resident, had a bad fall from a tram in George-street on Saturday. He was conveyed to the Sydney Hospital by the Civil Ambulance, and was admitted for treatment of bad abrasions to his hips.

BOY SEVERELY BURNED.

A nine-year-old boy named Robert Manahan, who resides at Simmons-street, Enmore, was taken to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital last evening, suffering from burning injuries about the body and hands. The little fellow was going to bed, when by some means his clothes caught fire. He is in a precarious condition.

FRACTURED LEGS.

Cyril. Conlon, 17, residing at Glebe-street, Glebe, was handing a rope to a deck hand on a steamer at Circular Quay yesterday afternoon, when he slipped and fell between the pontoon and the steamer, his right leg being fractured. The Civil Ambulance Brigade conveyed him to the Sydney Hospital, where Dr. Power admitted him for treatment.

On Saturday evening Madeline Cowderoy, 9, was admitted to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital suffering from a fracture of the right leg. The woman was about to enter a tram in King-street, Newtown, when she was knocked down by a cab.

PRIEST'S NARROW ESCAPE.

FALL FROM A TRAIN.

LITHGOW, Saturday.

The Rev. Father Fey met with a serious accident while on a journey from Nyngan to Sydney on Thursday night. He was travelling by the up mail, which reaches Enfield at 2.7 a.m., and when the train was some distance on the western side of the Albert-street gates he put his hand on the door on the southern side to look out, and as he did so the door flew open and he fell to the ground. The train was going full speed at the time, and it is considered marvellous that he escaped being killed. He must have lain for some time in an unconscious condition, but later he managed to crawl to a house in Albert-street, reaching there about 2 o'clock. Dr. Kirkland was sent for, and on arrival found it necessary to insert several stitches in two wounds in Father Fey's head. The doctor also found that a couple of ribs had been broken on the right side. There were also several abrasions between the shoulder and hip. About half-past 4 o'clock this morning Father Fey was removed to the Roman Catholic Presbytery. He was doing fairly well.

TWO GIRLS DROWNED.

GOULBURN, Sunday.

This afternoon two little girls named Lipsomb, sisters, aged 8 and 11 years, were drowned in the Wollondilly River at Ifield, one of the suburbs. The children were playing on the bank of the river, and it is supposed one of them fell in, and the other perished in an attempt to rescue her. One of the bodies has been recovered, and the police are dragging for the other.

GIRL SHOT BY HER SISTER.

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

At Avoca on Friday two daughters of Mrs. Bee. Towning were bird-shooting in the orchard, and when a bullet fired by the younger girl, aged 14, glanced off a tree and entered the breast of her sister aged 18, inflicting a severe wound. Miss Townsing's condition is critical.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT A BATH.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

A peculiar accident happened at Hamilton Baths a few days ago. A man named Thomas Littleboy dived in and struck his head on the bottom, injuring his spine. He lingered in the hospital till this afternoon, when he expired.

BROKEN HILL, Friday.

Mr. William Marjoram, who has been employed at the Proprietary mill for several years, died suddenly this afternoon. The deceased was suffering from an attack of pneumonia, but went on shift last night, and became worse. He was taken home in an ambulance; his removal to the hospital was deemed necessary, but he died on the road. Mr Marjoram was a well-known local chess player.

SOFALA, Saturday.

At the inquest on George Bowers, an aged pensioner, who was found dead in a hut on Friday, a verdict of suicide from poisoning was returned.

PROFESSOR LIVERSIDGE'S RETURN.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ABROAD.

Professor Liversidge returned to Sydney on Friday after twelve months' spell, which, like other scientific holiday-seekers, he took not in inspecting the laboratories of universities, attending important conferences, and inquiring into fields of research in the world of educational progress. He attended the British International Conference of delegates from the academies, both scientific and literary, being appointed delegate by the Royal Society of London. The three most important subjects dealt with by the conference were:—(1) The establishment of seismological stations all over the world, equipped with instruments of one common type, which would admit of the accurate comparison of results; (2) the precise determination of levels in mountain chains subject to earthquakes; (3) measurements of the value of gravity with the object, so far as geological questions were concerned, of throwing light on the internal distribution of masses in the earth and on the rigidity of the terrestrial crust. Other matters handled by the conference were the proposed lexicon of the Greek language and the Pali dictionary. The discussions were carried on in English, French, German, and Italian, and the resolutions arrived at were translated as required.

The Professor also attended a meeting of bodies controlling the international catalogue of scientific literature, which it was first decided to publish in 1896. About 20 volumes of this catalogue had been issued, and the New South Wales Government had subscribed for six copies. Scientific men could not get along without this modern catalogue. The British Science Guild also occupied some of Professor Liversidge's attention, and he attended a deputation of a representative character, which asked Mr. Balfour to help in stimulating the Imperial idea in science and in promoting the practical application of science throughout the British-speaking world.

The British Association at Cambridge was attended by a great number of foreign authorities, so the Professor did not need to visit them in their own countries to glean some of their observations. Many interesting scientific papers were read and discussed. About 150 foreign delegates were present. They lived at the various colleges and were well treated. Many eminent chemists and physicists attended the gathering.

Regarding the laboratories he had visited, Professor Liversidge was enthusiastic. "We have nothing like them here," he said. "A splendid chemical and physical laboratory is in course of erection at South Kensington, opposite the Imperial Institute. The cost of this is about £350,000. At Birmingham enormous sums are being spent on a mining and metallurgical school, which is said to be even better than the M'Gill University mining school at Montreal. Another fine laboratory exists at Sheffield, and as showing the growth of technical education, I found technical schools all over the United Kingdom.

THE EMPIRE AT BRISBANE.

BRISBANE, Sunday.

The E. and A. Company's steamer Empire arrived at Moreton Bay on Saturday. Captain Helms reports that he left Kobe on February 7, and experienced fine weather. The steamer has 2362 tons of general cargo on board for Sydney, 250 tons for Melbourne, 279 tons for New Zealand, and 1910 tons optional.

NEWCASTLE.

THE SULPHIDE CORPORATION.

NEWCASTLE, Sunday.

The weekly smelting return of the Sulphide Corporation shows that 838 tons of ore were treated, producing bullion containing 1065oz gold, 24,002oz silver, and 35½ tons of lead.

During the week 200 tons of bullion were shipped for London, and the steamer Kaiori discharged 200 tons of bargee ore for the works.

CRUELTY TO CHILDREN.

At the Police Court [illegible], Blanch Evelyn Day, an inspector from the State Children's Relief Department, proceeded against William and Rose England for neglecting to find proper food and clothing for their three children. The male defendant was fined £2, or 14 days' imprisonment, and the female defendant £5, or three months' imprisonment. The Bench also ordered the children to be handed to the custody of the department.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The coal shipped beyond the State during the week ended yesterday amounted to 55,900 tons, of which 23,007 tons were sent to interstate and New Zealand ports and 30,856 tons to foreign ports, the distribution being as follows:—Victoria, 14,510 tons; South Australia, 2,237; Western Australia, 1296; Tasmania, 1450; New Zealand, 3020; Chili, 14,843; Mexico, 1752; Peru, 2728; Manila, 6000; Honolulu, 2550; and Panama, 3020. In addition, 3350 tons were taken for ships' use.

The steamer Wallarah cleared at the Customs yesterday for Napier with 750 tons of coal, and the ship Cortez for Valparaiso with 2200 tons of Wallsend coal. The barque Star of Bengall sailed yesterday for Honolulu with 3550 tons of Messrs' Brown's coal, the barque Lahaina for Mazatlan with 1722 tons of Seaham coal, and the barque Steinbek for Valparaiso with 4241 tons of Burwood coal.

Current freights are quoted:—San Francisco, 14s 6d; Honolulu, 14s; Manila, 14s; Singapore, 7s; Java, 8s; Mauritius, 10s; Valparaiso, f.o., 13s 6d; Guayaquil, 16s 6d; Panama, 16s 6d; and Acapulco, 16s 6d.

The American barque Star of Bengal cleared at the Customs on Friday for Honolulu with 2550 tons of Messrs. Brown's coal; the steamer Moira, for Melbourne, with 2800 tons of coal and 25 tons of coke; the steamer Moorshool, for Melbourne, with 4710 tons of coal; the steamer Miowera, for Vancouver, via Sydney, with 2400 tons of coal; and the 4-masted barque Falls of Garry, for Panama, with 3020 tons of Caledonian coal.

The barque Zalateur arrived from Sydney on Friday to load East Greta coal for Auckland, and the barquentine River Moyne to load coal for Wellington. The 4-masted barque Kinross-shire sailed to-day for Valparaiso with 3703 tons of Messrs. Brown's coal, and the 4-masted barque Grenada for Valparaiso with 3640 tons of Hebburn coal.

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FUNERALS.

GODFREY.—Loyal Victoria Lodge, No. 11, Manchester Unity, I.O.O.F.—The Officers and Brethren of the above Lodge are invited to attend the Funeral of the late Brother E. J. GODFREY; to leave his late residence, No. 1 Catherine-street, Forest Lodge, THIS (Monday) MORNING, 8.30 o'c., for Rookwood Cemetery

CADELL.—The Funeral of CHRISTIAN CADELL will leave Coolabah, Burwood, at 11.30, TO-DAY, Monday, for Enfield Cemetery.

RISTAU.—The Friends of Mrs. PAUL RISTAU are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND, Paul; to leave his late residence, Ezin, Cameron-street, Rockdale, THIS DAY, at 12.15, for Newtown station, thence to Necropolis. Friends please take funeral train leave Mortuary station at 20 past 2 o'clock. C. FIELD and SON, Undertakers, 58 Botany-road, Alexandria.

RISTAU.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. FRANCIS MALARKEY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved SON-IN-LAW, Mr. Paul Ristau; to leave his late residence, Ezin, Cameron-street, Rockdale, THIS DAY, at 12.15, for Newtown station.
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RILEY.—The Friends of the deceased PATRICK WILLIAM RILEY are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his parents' residence, 31 Lansdowne-street, Surry Hills, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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RILEY.—The Friends and Family of Mr. and Mrs. P. RILEY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON, Patrick William; to leave their residence, 31 Lansdowne-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Monday, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood.

RILEY.—The Friends of Mr. J. and Miss E. CALLAGHAN (of Arncliffe) are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved NEPHEW, Patrick William Riley; to leave his parents' residence, 31 Lansdowne-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Monday, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood.

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HIBERNIAN A.C.B. SOCIETY.—The Members of St. Peter's Branch No. 168 (Surry Hills) are invited to attend the Funeral of Bro. PATRICK WILLIAM RILEY; to move from his late residence, 31 Lansdowne-street, Surry Hills, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Rookwood Cemetery.

RICHARDSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. RICHARDSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved CHILD, Eileen; to move from Annesley, Railway-parade, Sydenham, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Newtown Station.
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BUTCHER.—The Friends of the late Mr. SAMUEL BUTCHER, of No. 48 Louisa-road, Balmain, are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will leave our Mortuary Chapel, 810-12 George-street, Sydney, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the Waverley Cemetery.
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LINN.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN ERIC LINN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Annie Bell; to move from her parents' residence, No. 61 Stewart-street, Paddington, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, for the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Waverley.
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CRABBE.—The Funeral of the late Dr. JAMES BROWN-CRABBE will leave his late residence, Victoria-avenue, Chatswood, THIS DAY (Monday), at 3 p.m., for Presbyterian Cemetery, Gore Hill.
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CRABBE.—The Brethren of Lodge Kuring-gai are requested to attend a Lodge of Sorrow, THIS AFTERNOON, at the Lodgerooms, Town Hall, Chatswood, at 2 o'clock, consequent upon the death of our late Brother Dr. J. B. CRABBE. The Masonic Regalia to be worn.
L. F. GARNETT, P.N.,
Hon. Secretary.

THE Officers and Members of the Chatswood Bowling Club are respectfully requested to attend the Funeral of the late ex-President, Dr. J. B. CRABBE; to move from his late residence, Victoria-avenue, at 3 p.m., THIS DAY, Monday, for Gore Hill Cemetery. The Club Grounds will be closed To-day.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Act of the Imperial Parliament 4, Edward VII., intituled the "New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company's Act, 1904," whereby provision is made for dealing with the Trustees' Preference Shares of the said Company, and the Trustees' Certificates issued in respect thereof, and for other purposes, received the Royal Assent on the twenty-fourth day of June, 1904. Under the Act each of the 18,000 Trustees' Preference Shares of £1 each of the Company is converted into two fully paid Ordinary Shares of 10s each, forming one series and ranking in all respects pari passu with the 40,000 fully paid Ordinary Shares of the Company of 10s each, and ranking for dividend as from the 30th day of June, 1903; and all preferential rights, whether in respect of dividend or capital previously attaching to the Trustees' Preference Shares, are by the said Act cancelled as from the 30th day of June, 1903.

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Dated this fourth day of July, 1904.

For and on behalf of
NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY CO., LIMITED
J. NEWMAN BARKER,
Chief Inspector.

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